KUWAIT (AP) — Kuwait on Tuesday rejected as baseless Iranian allegations that Kuwaiti fishing boats detained recently by Iran were spying for Iraq, and demanded their release. A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Iranian Charge d'Affaires Mohamad Baqeri was summoned to the ministry Monday and was given a note expressing Kuwait's position, reported the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA). It added that the note expressed "Kuwait's condemnation of such practices and allegations as well as its demand that Iran release all Kuwaiti fishing boats, including as well as its demand that fran release all kuwait isking boats, including those seized recently." This was the first Kuwaiti comment since Iran announced Sunday that it had recently seized seven Kuwaiti fishing boats and that the seamen aboard "confessed" to spying for Iraq. "The charges that the boats were on a spying mission are baseless. The vessels were on routine fishing activities in those areas, "KUNA quoted the spokesman as saying. The spokesman added this was not the first time that Iran had seized Kuwaiti fishing boats. He said Kuwait had already been trying through consular channels to obtain the release of the boats seized by Iran earlier.

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Sudan rebels capture town

KHARTOUM (R) — Sudan said Tuesday rebels fighting troops in south Sudan had captured a garrison town on the border with Ethiopia following heavy artillery and air bombardment from inside Ethiopia. A communique issued by the general command of the armed forces said the town of Jekaw, 840 kilometres south-east of Khartoum in Upper Nile province, was evacuated last Wednesday.

New Sudan cabinet takes office today

KHARTOUM (R) - A new Sudanese cabinet has been formed and will be sworn in Wednesday, the official Sudan News Agency (SUNA) reported Tuesday, It said the new cabinet, formed after the previous one was dismissed on the orders of Prime Minister Sadeq Al Mahdi, would hold its first meeting on Thursday. SUNA did not name the new cabinet but it will be composed, like the previous one. of a coalition in which Mr. Mahdi's Umma Party and the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) will be the main partners.

Syria disayows press comments

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Syrian government has disavowed commentary in its official press describing as heroes the gunnen who attacked a U.S. embassy whicle in Egypt and wounded two of the three Amerwounded two of the three Americans aboard, the State Department said Monday. Department spokesman Charles Redman said Syrian officials have informed the United States the press statements did not represent Syrian pointy and that the Syrian government is attacked. ment is opposed to attacks on diplomats anywhere. The Syrian newspaper Tishrin said last Wednesday that the attack was carried out by "the heroes of Arab Egypt against the U.S. pre sence" and is an extension "of the Egyptian people's revolt against the capitulatory regime." The attack occurred in Cairo last Tuesday as the embassy officers were driving to work.

UNIFIL soldier injured in SLA fire

TEL AVIV (AP) — A soldier from the United Nations peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon was wounded Tuesday by shrapnel from mortar fired by Israeli-backed Lebanese militiamen, a U.N. spokesman said. Timur Goksel, spokesman for the United Nations Interim Force In Lebanon (UNIFIL), said he did not know why South Lebanon Army (SLA) militiamen fired the mortar close to a Nepalese UNI-FIL position near the southern Lebanese village of Yatar. He said a Nepalese guard was wounded by shrapnel from the mortar.

U.S. still wants Hamadei extradited

WASHINGTON (R) - Secretary of State George Shultz said Tuesday Washington still wanted alleged hijacker Mohammad Ali Hamadei extradited to the United States and the matter was being considered in West Germany. Mr. Hamadei is wanted on murder and air piracy charges stemming from the 1985 hijacking of a Trans World Airways airliner to Beitut. Mr. Hamadei is being held in West Germany on charges of illegally possessing explosives.

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 Fijian troops open fire on British diplomats,

In Qatar, U.S. Ambassador Joseph Jhougassian delivered a message from President Reagan. Bahrain also received a message page 8 from the U.S. president.

Lebanese mourn Karami Prince with nation-wide strike

Caretaker Prime Minister Hoss pledges to pursue policies of assassinated predecessor

Combined agency dispatches

TRIPOLI, Lebanon — Weeping crowds gathered to console the family of Lebanon's assassinated Prime Minister Rashid Karami in his home town on Tuesday as a week of official mourning began with a nationwide

huge black banner over the southern entrance to this city in northern Lebanon where Mr. Karami, 65, commanded mass

Flags fluttered at half-mast and Lebanon stayed shut to mourn over the dead man's coffin. A page 2 Shultz:

shipping lanes open, and they

pecific action the United States

"One would expect at a mini-

idea of the importance of keeping

the Strait of Hormuz open and

for protecting the vitality of inter-

national waterways, especially in

the Gulf since so much of the oil

that flows to the free world, and

"So I think everyone should be

looking at this from a sympathetic

point of view and considering

various things that we might ask

and that they might think to do themselves," Mr. Shultz said.

President Reagan on Monday

set out his expectations for the

Venice summit. making clear the

threat to vital oil routes in the

Mr. Reagan has approved con-

troversial plans for the United

States to step up its naval pre-sence in the Gulf amid congres-

sional expressions of concern and

calls for the allies to do more to

help.
"The American people are

aware that it is not our interests

alone that are being protected," Mr. Reagan said, "The depend-

ence of our allies on the flow of

oil from that area is no secret."

Tuesday a small error in the Gulf

could lead to a big explosion and

armed confrontation between

Deputy Foreign Minister Hos-

sein Sheikholeslam told reporters

during a visit to Damascus: "Any

small mistake can lead to a big

explosion... and there are possi-

bilities of an armed confrontation

between the two superpowers."

U.S. and 'ranian leaders on

Tuesday sen messages to Arab

Envoys from Iran gave the emir of Bahrain, Sheikh Isa Ibn Sulman Al Khalifa, a written

message from President Ali

Mohammad Hussein Lavasani.

director-general of political affairs at Iran's Foreign Ministry, arrived in Bahrain Monday night after going with Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati to Qatar and the United Arab Emirates when

the United Arab Emirates where

they delivered similar messages.

leaders in the Gulf.

Khamenei.

Washington and Moscow.

A senior Iranian official said

Gulf is high on the agenda.

most particularly to Europe,

comes out of that area.

which they could help.

in the region.

allied

support

"Tripoli mourns its son" read a the Sunni premier, blown up by a bomb behind his seat in an army helicopter on Monday.

At Mr. Karami's house in Tripoli, hundreds of women sobbed and wailed as they filed past the small room where guards with shops, schools and offices across black-ribboned swords watched amid spectre of new violence,

state funeral will be held on Wednesday.

Men paid their respects to Mr. Karami's two weeping brothers. Maan and Omar, at a palace nearby where Mr. Karami had his

"He was a father to Tripoli," said city notable Faroukh Fakhreddin. "When we know our foe, we will settle accounts." Pro-Syrian Greek Orthodox Interior Minister Abdallah Rassi, who was on the helicopter with Mr. Karami, emerged from the

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Shock and fear unite Lebanese



Arab and world leaders U.S. expects pay high tribute to Karami

TUNIS (Agencies) - Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi has paid tribute to assassinated Lebanese Prime Minister Rashid Karami as a respected statesman who had an unshakeable faith in his country's unity. Expressing profound grief at Mr. Karami's killing on Monday.

ROME (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz said Tuesday the United States expected its allies at least to support the idea of keeping Gulf thereign larger and their Mr. Klibi said in a statement that Mr. Karami was a great Arab leader. should be considering ways in "His name will stand in history as that of a greatly respected At a televised news conference statesman who had an unshakelinking several European capit-

able faith in Lebanon's unity.

als, Mr. Shultz was asked what the Arab League chief said. He added: "It is certain that in killing him it was intended to wanted from its allies in response strike at Lebanon's unity and to its informal request for help in national understanding, after all preserving freedom of navigation end had failed."

mum a general support for the King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and messages of condolences to Presi- agency APS.

dent Gemayel. The official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) quoted an official source as condemning the Karami assassination. "The kingdom called on Lebanese brothers to work for the return of security and peace to Lebanon and to maintain its national unity," SPA quoted the source as saying.

Most Arab Gulf newspapers expressed anger and sorrow of the assassination of Mr. Karami and called on Lebanon's feuding factions to avoid any new cycle of

Algeria hopes the mourning for Mr. Karami will lead to reconciliation in Lebanon, a foreign ministry spokesman said in Algiers.

"Algeria bows to the memory attempts at dividing Lebanon and of this great man and firmly all plots hatched to achieve this hopes that people of Lebanon will come out from that mourning reconciled with itself," he said in other Arab Gulf leaders sent a statement carried by the news

He said Mr. Karami "had fullen victim of the blind and criminal violence of those who bank on Lebanon's dislocation and actively pursue it.'

In Rome, Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) official Farouk Kaddoumi said that "enemies of Lebanon" were responsible for the murder of Mr.

Mr. Kaddoumi, was speaking in an interview on Italian television recorded during a stopover in Rome on his way to Belgrade. He said the PLO was greatly saddened by Mr. Karami's death

since it would only aggravate the country's problems. Asked who he thought was behind the murder, Mr. Kaddoumi said he had no precise information but added: "The enemies of Lebanon killed him. Their action should be seen in the

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Howe: British patience running out with Iran

LONDON (Agencies) — Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe, re-portedly preparing to impose diplomatic sanctions against Iran over the beating-up of a British diplomat, Tuesday warned that Britain's patience was running out after Iran failed to apologise.

"We'll stand no messing around with our diplomats," Mr. Howe told reporters while campaigning in Liverpool for the June 11 general election.

"Our patience is not unlimited and we are looking for an early reply."
Mr. Howe, however, set no

time limit for implementing what he said were "certain decisions" about reprisals. Aides said diplomatic relations, travel and trade could be affected.

The Foreign Office said Tuesday that, among other things, it was waiting to find out whether Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati agreed to meet British Charge d'Affaires Christopher Macrae in Tehran later in

Iranian Charge d'Affaires Mohammad Akhoudzadeh Basti was summoned again to the Foreign Office but stonewalled renewed demands for an apology and explanation over the treatment of British diplomat Edward Champion, 36.

Mr. Chaplin was abducted for 24 hours last Thursday in Tehran. beaten up and now faces serious, but undisclosed, charges. Mr. Howe says Iran has trumped up the charges in reprisal for the arrest in Britain of Iranian Vice Consul Ali Qassemi on shoplifting, reckless driving, assaulting a police officer and damaging his

"Unfortunately, he (Mr. Basti) was unable to give a satisfactory response," a British spokesman said after the Tuesday meeting with Foreign Office Minister Timothy Renton. It was the second time Mr. Basti has been summoned to the Foreign Office

had again raised Iranian demands for charges to be dropped against Mr. Oassemi, who he said was inaocent.

In Manchester, where Mr. Qassemi runs the vice consulate, a colleague on the staff of four maintained the Iranian's arrest was an election ploy by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

"Mrs. Thatcher won the last election (in 1983) after the Falklands," said Saaed Nikfarjaam, referring to Britain's 1982 victory over Argentina in the Falkland Islands war.

"She is looking for something else on which to win it (the election) again and this time she has chosen Iran."

British diplomatic sources have said sanctions against Iran appeared unavoidable, though Mrs. Thatcher was likely to tread carefully in order not to endanger the 17-man diplomatic mission in Tehran. Sanctions could range in the past five days.

Mr. Basti told reporters outside the Foreign Office that he foreign outright cut in relations. from reductions of Iranian diplomatic staff in Britain to an

Superpowers complete draft missiles accord

and Soviet arms negotiators have completed the first version of a joint draft treaty which calls for elimination of their mediumrange nuclear missiles in Europe, a top Soviet negotiator said

"We must say that as a result of the work done at the current round, the sides have drafted the first joint draft text of the treaty on medium-range missiles," Alexi Obukhov, deputy leader of the Soviet arms negotiating team,

He told reporters "much work" remained to be done and the two sides would now concentrate on removing numerous brackets in the joint document. These indicate areas of disagreement.

This is the first time since the superpowers resumed arms con-

GENEVA (Agencies) — U.S. trol efforts in March 1985 that the two sides have been working from a single, joint treaty docu-

> Mr. Obukhov told a news conference that negotiators completed the joint document on Monday, forging a single text from rival draft accords presented earlier this year.

Many of the differences between the two sides remain in the first draft text and negotiators will seek to narrow and remove these opposing views in subsequent drafts.

Mr. Obukhov said the Soviet Union was still aiming to have a treaty eliminating all superpower medium and shorter-range nuclear missiles in Europe and ready for signing this autumn.

In a related move, the NATO allies on Tuesday welcomed Bonn's acceptance of the superpower deal but snags were foreseen over West Germany's Pershing 1A systems.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's three-party coalition, falling finally into line with its NATO allies, accepted on Monday the idea of an East-West ban on shorter-range nuclear missiles, ending six weeks of tortuous political wrangling.

But, touching on a sticking point between U.S. and Soviet negotiators in Geneva, the Bonn government said 72 Pershing 1As owned by the West German air force could not be counted into the missile equation.

Soviet negotiators said in Geneva on April 28 that the Pershing 1As would have to be taken into account in any INF (intermediate-range nuclear forces) agreement because they carry a U.S. nuclear warhead.

Hassan in Canada

OTTAWA (Agencies) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, on the second day of his visit to Canada, met on Tuesday with the minister of state for external relations, Monique Landry, and discussed with her Jordanian-Canadian economic cooperation and prospects for Canadian participation in implementing a number of projects in Jordan's 1986-1990 Five-Year National Development Plan.

They also discussed Jordan's five-year development scheme for the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The Canadian International

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Rifai and Greek leaders hold talks

three-day official visit to Greece, met on Tuesday with Greek President Christos Sartzetakis and reviewed Jordanian-Greek rela-

During the meeting at the presidential palace, Mr. Rifai con-veyed greetings from His Majesty King Hussein and wishes for the Greek people for further progress and prosperity.

Later Mr. Rifai met with the

speaker of the Greek Parliament, Yannis Alevras, in the presence of Minister of Education Thouqan Hindawi and Jordan's Ambassador to Greece Awwad Al Khalidi and a number of Greek officials.

They discussed the Middle East

ATHENS (Agencies) — Prime question and Mr. Rifai explained Minister Zaid Rifai, now on a Jordan's views with regard to the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Iran-Iraq war and the implementation of United Nations Security Coun-

cil resolutions, according to the Jordan News Agency, Petra, Petra said that Mr. Rifai restated Jordan's demand for total Israeli withdrawal from Arab lands occupied since 1967 and refuted Israel's false presentation of the Middle East problem on the European scene. Mr. Rifai also reiterated Jordan's support for Iraq in its war with Iran and pointed out that Iraq was posi-tively responsive to all bids for

Mr. Alevras reiterated

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Balata residents continue protests; 10 injured in clash with Israeli troops

OCCL'PIED (Agencies) — Israeli troops clamped a new curfew Tuesday on the Balata refugee camp in the occupied West Bank after Palestinians demonstrated against an army storming of the camp and detention of about 60 people

The Palestine Press Service said 10 Palestinians were wounded by rubber bullets when the army opened fire to disperse protesters at the camp, where 12,000 refugees live.

Israel radio also reported that troops opened fire with rubber bullets, but said there were no

Tensions in the camp about 60 kilometres north of Jerusalem have been high since Sunday, when Israeli soldiers rounded up

more than 1,500 male residents of Volcker quits

as Fed chief, Greenspan appointed successor

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — President Ronald Reagan announced Tuesday that Paul A. Volcker has decided to step down as chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Mr. Reagan said he would appoint economist Alan Greenspan to succeed Mr. Voicker.

"I accept Mr. Volcker's decision with great reluctance and regret," Mr. Reagan said.

Mr. Volcker, appearing with Mr. Reagan and Mr. Greenspan at a White House briefing, said that he was relinquishing the post voluntarily. "I had no feeling I was 'seing pushed," he said. N'. Greenspan was chairm n

of the Council of Economic Advisers from 1974-1977 during president Gerald Ford's administration. He is now a New York economic consultant.

Mr. Greenspan's appointment came on the eve of Mr. Reagan's departure for next week's sevennation economic summit in Venice.

Analysts had suggested that Mr. Reagan wanted to make the announcement in advance of the summit, so that the post would not become a summit issue. "Filling Paul Volcker's shoes

will be a major challenge," said Mr. Greenspan, 61. Mr. Volcker, 59, the cigar-

smoking, six-foot-seven Fed chairman who had won wide respect from leaders around the world, will serve as chairman until his term expires in August. In London, the gold price soared and the dollar plunged on world financial markets when news broke that Mr. Volcker would not serve a new term. In office since 1979, Mr. Volc-

ker had been seen in the markets as a bastion of monetary stability, On Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrial average dropped 20 points on the news.

The dollar nosedived, going down near 1.80 West German marks and 142 yen - compared with Monday night's closing prices in Europe above 1.83 marks and 145 yen.

Prices of gold, silver and platinum soared on what market participants called "panic buying."

JERUSALEM the camp for questioning and Bank and Gaza Strip.
Israeli troops arrested 60. Geulah Cohen of the opposi-

On Monday, a day after the Balata storming, Israel's parliament engaged in a heated debate over policies designed to contain Palestinian nationalistic activity in the occupied territories.

In Arab Jerusalem, un unknown man threw a firebomb at an Israeli bus Monday evening, injuring the driver and damaging the vehicle, an army spokesman said

He said the bomb broke the bus' windshield but did not catch fire. The driver was wounded in his head by broken glass and

taken to a hospital, he said. Earlier Monday, the Israeli devoted to Defence Minister Yit- less distinction ... punishments

compare ourselves in certain theatre plays with the Nazi regime, but don't take a sword, don't take a grenade, don't take a

knife.

tion right-wing Tehiya Party

"It is true you (the Palesti-

nians) are oppressed, it is true we

But legislator Chaika Grossman of the leftist opposition Mapam Party sharply attacked Israeli policies in the territories. "These (measures) were already tried elsewhere in the

world and failed." Mrs. Grossman said. She cited "the harshest punishments, an increase in group parliament held a heated session and collective punishments with

zhak Rabin's briefing on the even for those who were not situation in the occupied West guilty." Raimond says Soviets have

TEL AVIV (Agencies) - French jon, the United States. Foreign Minister Jean-Bernard Raimond said Tuesday it might be harmful to exclude the Soviet Union from Middle East peace negotiations and that Moscow could play an important role in such talks.

"We need to de-dramatise the Soviet presence in the Middle East, and it's possible role in an international (peace) conference," Mr. Raimond told a news conference on the last day of his three-day visit to Israel.

Mr. Raimond, vhose government favours an international conference, said even though Israel's government is deadlocked over participation "the idea is far from being abandoned, the process is still a viable one."

It is vital that "the momentum toward the peace conference not be lost," he said.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres has campaigned for Israeli participation in the conference, provided it leads to direct Arab-Israeli talks. Participants would include the five permanent memcil, among them the Soviet Un- peace moves.

major role in peace efforts

Mr. Raimond held separate meetings with Mr. Peres and Mr. Shamir and said there were no changes in their basic positions. Seven leading Palestinians

attended a meeting with Mr. Raimond Tuesday and six of them handed him a memorandum stating that the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) was sole legitimate representative of the Palestinians.

The seventh. Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij said he did not sign because there was no need to hand in memorandums at direct meetings. Mr. Freij said he told Mr. Raimond no Palestinian would take part in a peace parley without PLO approval.

The memorandum described United Nations Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 as "inadequate" for a settlement.

Newspaper editor Hanna Siniora told reporters he sug-gested to Mr. Raimond the PLO might change its stance on the resolutions if the United Nations adopted France's stance that the bers of the U.N. Security Coun- PLO must be associated with

Sri Lanka warns India not to send aid to Jaffna

and said the armed forces had been ordered to protect Sri Lanka's territorial waters. "I appeal to Indian Prime

Minister Rajiv Gandhi, even at this late stage, to re-think his decision to send the so-called humanitarian aid to Jaffna," he said in parliament. "Please send the aid to the Sri Lankan government. This is normal international practice. But India said it was going

ahead with the relief shipments to the peninsula, where the Sri Lankan government is waging an offensive against Tamil rebels fighting for an independent na-

"We are going ahead as scheduled," the Indian government said in a statement issued Tuesday. "We earnestly hope that the boats will sail tomorrow."

The statement said India was

COLOMBO (Agencies) — Sri surprised and distressed at the Lankan Prime Minister Rana- warnings from the Sri Lankan singhe Premadasa on Tuesday told India not to send aid directly to the besieged Jaffna peninsula approaches Sri Lankan waters." As the diplomatic confrontation over aid intensified, the civi-

lian death toll in Sri Lanka's ethnic war continued to rise.
The government said Tamil separatist guerrillas ambushed a bus in eastern Sri Lanka and fatally shot 33 people, including

29 saffron-robed Buddhist monks. Guerrillas raided the same village in February, killing 28 Sinhalese civilians, according to the government. An Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesman said in New

Delhi senior Indian officials summoned heads of foreign missions to brief them on the Sri Lankan offensive against the Tamil re-India, which has 50 million

Tamils of its own, said the military offensive had caused as many as 200 civilian casualties in the

Violence

in Lebanon

claims 123

lives in Mav BEIRUT (R) - Prime Minister

Rashid Karami, killed by an

assassin's bomb Monday, was the

latest casualty of Lebanon's 12-year civil war in which 123 people

were reported to have died

Most of the May deaths, up from 89 in April, were in South Lebanon where Israeli air raids

killed 38 people and another 28

died in clashes along the edge of

Israel's self-declared "security

Police, hospital and militia

sources reported only three peo-

ple dead in factional clashes

across Beirut's "green line"

Civil war fighting has been at a low level since February when

Syrian troops moved into mainly Muslim east Beirut to end militia

ian enclave north east of Being

Some could be heard saying

Most leaders set aside the dif-

But Christian Free Lebanon

ferences of the 12-year-old civil

Radio took the opportunity to

blame Mr. Karami for paralysing

the government and Druze leader

Walid Junblatt blamed Mr.

Gemayel, the army and Christian

war to honour Mr. Karami.

"may God help us" and "what a

sectarian divide.

where he died.

catastrophe.

violently last month.

U.S. plans sale of improved Maverick missiles to Riyadh

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House has asked Congress to approve the sale of 1,600 Maverick air-to-ground missiles to Saudi Arabia, officials said Monday.

The sale, totalling about \$360 million, would replace one approved by Congress in 1984. The Saudis delayed delivery while the missiles were being equipped with an infrared guidance system - instead of the television system used previously — to make them more effective

Since Saudi Arabia did not take delivery of the previous weapons and President Ronald

in night fighting and low-visibility

situations.

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could draw

U.S. into

Gulf war

the Gulf war.

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general has said.

in Beirut.'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Jimmy Carter has

said that President Ronald

Reagan's decision to fly the U.S.

flag on Kuwaiti tankers signals

that the United States is siding

with Iraq and could be drawn into

"After our ridiculous sale of

arms to Iran and the worldwide

uproar because of that embarras-

sing mistake, I think we have

tended to shift now toward Iraq,"

the former president said in an

"Kuwait is aligned with Iraq.

We are making Kuwaiti ships part

of the American merchant fleet,

and I think this is a clear signal to

the combatants that we have

The Reagan administration has

said repeatedly it wants a negoti-

ated settlement of the more than

6-year-old war, with "neither vic-

TEL AVIV — Menachem Begin,

who was Israeli prime minister

during the Lebanon War, con-

templated sending the army into

Beirut about a year before the

war, an Israeli army reserves

Aviv University, Gen. Avigdor Ben-Gal quoted Begin as telling

him: "We'll get to the bunker and

get him (meaning PLO leader

Yasser Arafat) out of the bunker

Arye Naor, who was cabinet

secretary at the time, told the

symposium that Ben-Gal's state-

ment made sense for 1981. At

that time, Begin was debating

whether to use the army for an

expanded Litani operation — the

1978 thrust into Lebanon — or

for one which would also include

Reagan's administration now is proposing to sell the Saudis an improved model, Congress must be notified so it can decide whether to approve or block the

The missiles, produced by Hughes Aircraft Co., are designed for use on F-5 fighter planes sold by the the United States to the kingdom. So far, the Saudis have bought 2,500 Maverick missiles since their first purch-

warned the United States against

being drawn into a military con-

flict with Iran, saying such a move

would serve to inspire the Ayatol-lah Ruhollah Khomeini's govern-

"Direct U.S. military involve-

ment, even as a measured retalia-

tion, will provide fresh material

for the fanatic's war dance and

liturgy," 26-year-old Reza Pahla-

vi told a luncheon meeting of

editors from Hearst newspapers.

heroic enough to fight Iraq,

which is why they have always

insisted that (Iraqi) President

Saddam Hussein is a mere agent of U.S. imperialism and Zion-

directly, and they will claim a

proof of U.S. complicity all

But Pahlavi said the United

States and the Soviet Union,

working through the United Na-

tions, should apply pressure on Iran to end the war with Iraq,

Pahlavi said he is attempting to

unite exiled Iranians who want to

operation and Naor recalled him

saying that he would oppose an

operation which would cost

dozens" of army casualties, or

vices had warned Begin that an

expanded operation would not

bear more fruit than a limited

expanded operation would be un-

the most planned, rehearsed and

For a year, the army went into

the smallest details, he said. The war was badly managed partly because the cabinet did not have

a clear picture of its aims. De-

fence Minister Ariel Sharon and

see Khomeini's regime over- May 10.

However, on the eve of the Chief of General Staff Rafael

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Ben-Gal sharply criticised the as one set of military plans had army's conduct of the war. It was stipulated. But it did not do so,

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which started in 1980.

Begin considered entering Beirut in 1981

hundreds of Arab lives.

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briefed war.

ism,"

he said. "Attack Iran

"In their sick minds, it is not

Pahlavi warns U.S. against

being drawn into Iran conflict

ase in 1974.
The White House notified Congress of the Maverick sale last Friday. State Department spokesman Charles Redman confirmed the move in response to questions Monday.

He said the administration has not decided whether to propose the sale of F15 jet-fighter planes to Saudi Arabia.

Twice in the last month, the White House postponed notifying Congress. There was strong opposition to the deal from Israel's supporters and from critics of secret Saudi support for Nicaraguan contra rebels.

those in Spain, Great Britain and

Such a solution would allow

Pahlavi said he views himself as

the "moral" leader of the Ira-

nians, and believes he has wide-

spread support inside the country

as well as among the more than 2 million Iranians living outside the

Iranian princess dies

LONDON (AP) -- Princess Fatemen Pahlavi, half sister of

the late Shah of Iran, has died in

London at age 58, the Daily Telegraph reported on Tuesday.

from the Shah for some time

because of her runaway marriage

in 1950 to an American, Vincent

Lee Hillyer. The couple married

in a civil ceremony at Civitavecchia, Italy on April 13 that

year, and in a Muslim religious

ceremony in Paris the following

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because it did not receive author-

heard about a 40-kilometre line

beyond which the army was not

to move was five days after the

war had started — The Jerusalem

Gen. Drori said that the first he

Shtura-Zahle area within 96 hours

Gen. Amir Drori maintained

were, Ben-Gal said.

Thus, instead of flying troops

approval to follow through.

The princess was estranged

Iran to maintain its territorial

integrity while offering its people

democracy, he said.

ern oil shipments. Secretary of State George Shultz said Friday the Saudis might be asked for use of an airstrip for U.S. fighter planes.

said White House spokes-

About a dozen jets would be

produced by McDonnell Douglas

to replace planes lost in acci-

dents. The first would be deli-

By arming the Saudis, the Reagan administration hopes to

bolster the government against foreign threats. The United

States also seeks Saudi support in

U.S. efforts to police the Gulf

against Iranian attacks on West-

man Marlin Fitzwater.

vered around 1990.

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"We intend to go forward with Khomeini abolishes WASHINGTON (AP) - The thrown and replaced with a conruling party son of the late Shah of Iran has stitutional monarchy, similar to

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran's Revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini abolished the ruling Islamic Republic Party (IRP) and warned that "sowing discord is one of the greatest sins." an Iranian newspaper reported Tuesday.

Khomeini's decree Monday to abolish the party followed a request by President Ali Khamenei and Parliament Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani, saying that under present conditions there was no need for the party to continue its

The IRP was founded after the culmination of the Islamic revolution in 1979, under the leadership of Ayatollah Mohammad Hussein Beheshti.

Beheshti was killed along with more than 70 other people when a powerful bomb explosion des-troyed the IRP headquarters in

An official at the IRP, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the party no longer had any significant duties to carry out and the cost to keep it running was

The Jomhuri Eslami newspaper, which belongs to IRP, reported Khomeini's order to abolish the party. It also carried excerpts from a joint letter written to Khomeini by Khamenei and Rafsanjani.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA), monitored er report. Khamenei and Rafsanjani were

quoted as saying that the party had a major role at the beginning of the revolution - which toppled 2,500 years of monarchy — of awakening the people and foiling counter-revolutionary and foreign plots.
"Now with the help of God,

institutions of the Islamic Republic have been consolidated and the level of political awareness of the people has made the revolution invulnerable," the newspapand security. This crime only er quoted the letter as saying. serves the enemies of Lebanon

A 65-year-old bachelor, Mr. Karami died of injuries after a bomb exploded aboard an army helicopter bringing him to Beirut

Shock, fear unite Lebanese after Karami murder

lim west Beirut. "He was the best

man in this country and at least

Mr. Karami, a Sunni Muslim,

died after a bomb exploded under

the seat of his military helicopter.

Falangist President Amin

Gemayel has ordered a week of

national mourning.

The northern city of Tripoli,

Mr. Karami's home, was para-

lysed by the news. The chant of

muezzins reciting the Muslim

coffin passed and kept close

watch from rooftops at check-

he did not have a militia."

It is not known who planted the

from his northern home town of

and its agents in Lebanon."

Muslim majority more political

NEWS ANALYSIS

Gemayel.

stubborn optimism. But many re-Lebanese Forces militia for the spected his cunning in the jungle "Let the slogan be bringing stand for Muslim rights, a large, grim-faced crowd gathered around the hospital in the Christ-

down Gemayel and his gangs,"
Druze radio quoted Mr. Junblat

boly verses rang out from minarets as his coffin was borne by crowds chanting "Allah-O-Akbar" (God is Great). of Lebanese politics. Despite Mr. Karami's resolute Syrian troops saluted as the

Lebanese fear fresh violence after Karami's death

By Diana Abdallah Reuter

Lebanese soldiers surround

bomb exploded under his seat.

BEIRUT (R) - For a moment,

Lebanon's war-splintered com-

munities united in stunned reac-

tion to the murder of veteran

Prime Minister Rashid Karami.

Students gathered in knots at

universities, housewives emptied

shops for supplies and thousands

of mourners lined the route taken

by Mr. Karami's coffin to his

Even in the South Lebanese

town of Nabatiyeh, reeling after the worst clashes around Israeli

declared "security zone" for two

years, vendors muttered about

"They killed the symbol of

unity in this country," said Fourat Sidani, a shopper in mainly Mus-

north Lebanon home.

the "catastrophe."

BEIRUT — The murder of veter-an Prime Minister Rashid Karami has aroused fears of fresh sectarian violence that could thwart Syrian-backed efforts to end 12 years of civil war in Lebanon. Mr. Karami was Syria's choice to head a "last chance" national unity government formed in April 1984 to bring about reforms that would give the country's

Frustrated by the government's failure to end the civil war or tackle mounting economic woes,

tion last month. But with no readily apparent alternative to Mr. Karami, Lebanon's Falangist President Amin Gemayel delayed his response

and sought Syrian views. "It will be very difficult to form a cabinet acceptable to

everyone," one analyst said. "Syria's reaction is crucial." An official source in Damascus told Reuters: "The hand that killed Karami is one that does not serve Lebanon's interest, unity

Tripoli.

Damascus radio blamed "Israel

A man calling himself Major Hammoud telephoned an international news agency here and said the attack was the work of the previously-unknown "Secret Lebanese Army." An army spokesman dismissed the claim as

It was Mr. Karami, the leading politician in Lebanon's Sunni Muslim community, who invited Syrian troops to take control of mainly Muslim west Beirut last Feb. 22, a move that angered many Christians, including Mr.

Mr. Karami, with other opposition politicians, asked the Syrians to end bloody battles between opposition militias in west Beirut,

but Mr. Gemayel denounced the Lebanon." request as unconstitutional.

points throughout the city.

Women wiped away tears and

People held up the motorcade

of hundreds of cars on the way to

Tripoli, where villagers threw rice

and rose water from balconies or

insisted on the honour of bearing

The White-haired Karami,

the coffin for part of the way.

nine times prime minister since 1955 and known as "the effendi,"

was sometimes laughed at for his

waved white handkerchieves.

Syria already had 25,000 troops in north and east Lebanon, originally moved in as part of an Arab peacekeeping force.

Gemayel in 1982. Political analysts feared Mr. :,

*Each previous assassination has plunged the country into new "Karami's resignation had already fuelled tension and now

Falangist opponents into disarray by his May 4 decision to quit. The hardline anti-Syrian Falangist Lebanese Forces militia pressed Mr. Gemayel to accept the departure of the white-haired prime minister, but the president held

munity, already weakened by its failure to develop a strong militia like those of the Falangists, Druze and Shi'ite Muslims. As political boss of the Sunni

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MUSEUMS

"Children's Heritage and Science Museum." Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Closed on Friday. Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre. Amman. Opening bours: 9:00 a.m. 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Hasan excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

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Martyrs' Memorial (Military Museum): Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel, 664240.

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A drop in temperature is expected with the appearance of clouds at different altitudes and winds will be north-westerly moderate to fresh. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and

Agaba	17/28
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Mr.Karami was the third Lebanese leader murdered since civil war erupted in 1975 -

Druze leader Kamal Junblatt was assassinated in 1977 and Christian President-Elect Bashir

Karami's death might spark more violence among Lebanon's heavily-armed militias.

anything could happen."

Mr. Karami had thrown his

A Lebanese Forces statement, however, denounced Mr. Karami's killing, saying it was part of

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Mr. Karami and his colleagues in the opposition had ostracised

Mr. Gemayel, whose presence is required at cabinet meetings, since the president declined to endorse a Syrian-backed peace plan for Lebanon in January

The cabinet has not met under Mr. Gemayel since October 1985, but the government managed to expedite administrative affairs and keep state institutions run-

ning, albeit at a minimal level.

Mr. Karami, a solid champion of Muslim rights in Lebanon's Falangist-dominated political system, was the youngest-ever prime minister when he first took office

in 1955 aged 34. He headed a record nine administrations.

His death removes the most powerful political voice of Lebanon's 700,000-strong Sunni com-

dominated port of Tripoli, Mr. Karami had an undisputed power base which few of his co-religionthe "open war on democracy in ists could match.

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AMMAN (Petra) — Deputy Prime Minister Abdul Wahhab Al-Majali Tuesday called at the Lebanese embassy in Amman where he conveyed his condo-lences on the death of Mr. Rashid Karami of Lebanon who died in a homb blast on Monday.

Mr. Majali was accompanied by Minister of State for Par-liamentary Affairs Sami Judeh and other officials.

His Majesty King Hussein has delegated Mr. Majali to take part in Mr. Karami's funeral, being keld in Tripoli today. Mr. Majali will be accompanied by Jordan's ambassador to Syria.

Meanwhile, Mr. Akef Al Fayez, speaker of the Lower House of Parliament, has sent a cable to his Lebanese counterpart, Hussein Al Husseini, expressing his condolences on the death of Mr. Karami.

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new law to

nisations for the sake of explain-

came into effect on June 1, 1987,

pressure on the main headquar-

Dr. Farhan held a press confer-

ence on Monday during which he outlined in detail the new

arrungements for including

businesses employing five or more people in the SSC law. He estimated that 30,000 additional citizens will benefit from the new

Formerly, only those organisa-

ions and companies, employing

10 persons or more were covered

by the SSC law. The new expan-

sion, endorsed by the Cabinet on

April 25, imposes penalties on

employers who do not comply with the new regulations.

According to Dr. Farhan, the

new arrangements provide for the

SSC to train its staff and em-

ployees on the new measures and

the different categories of citizens

to be included in the SSC law.

He said that the SSC teams will

increase their field visits to va-

rious businesses and companies

around the Kingdom to speak

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The new measures allow pri-

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ters of the SSC in Amman.

In the cable, Mr. Fayez denounced the assassination of the late prime minister as a treacherous act committed against a man who had devoted his life to serve his nation. Mr. Fayez voiced his deep sorrow at the death of Mr. Karami and wished the Lebanese people success in establishing peace and security in their

. He said he will lead a mass at

the Bishara Greek Orthodox

Church at Abdali in Amman and

will later meet with the Greek

Orthodox patriarch of Jerusalein

to discuss matters of interest to

the Greek Orthodox Church in

Greek patriarch leads Christian group in Jordan

AMMAN (Petra) — A delega-tion of Christian elergymen led by the Ecumenical Greek Orthodox Patriarch Dimitrios arrived in Annuar Thesday via the King Hussen Bridge from the occupied West Bank. -

pied West Bank.

The delegation will spend four days in Jordan during which they will meet with Jordanian officials to discuss urgent matters of concern to the Christian world and the Middle East region in the light of current situation in the occupied holy land, according to a statement by the Greek Ortho-

The delegation was greeted upon arrival at the bridge by Jordanian officials from the Foreign Ministry and the director of police department in the Jordan Valley and other government and

the Kingdom.

CAEU 30 years old today

AMMAN (Petra) - The Amman-based Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) issued a statement Tuesday to mark its

30th ambrensary today.

The statement referred to the council's achievements in economic affairs over the past 30 years and the continued endeavour to promote the economies of the Arab countries...

The challenges that the Arab World now faces cannot be separated from the Israeli colonial plans in the Arab region designed to place further obstacles and difficulties in the path of the Arab nation's social and economic development, the statement said.

It said that the on-going Iran-Iraq war, the tragic situation in Lebanon, and the continued Israeli occupation of Arab land, require from the Arabs concerted efforts and speedy pan-Arab action that can safeguard Arab

Hamzeh to chair meeting on community health care

AMMAN (Petra) - Minister of the doctors and physicians can Health Zaid Hamzeh will chair a play through giving advice and meeting on Thursday to discuss guidance in health affairs, in meeting on Thursday to discuss issues related to the role of doc-

tors in local communities.

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addition to providing medical

British ladies to hold fete Thursday to benefit charity

AMMAN (J.T.) — The British Ladies of Amman are holding a summer fete on Thursday June 4, 1987 in support of local Jordanian

channes.
The proceeds of the fete will benefit charitable societies in the Kingdom, according to a release by the British ladies group. dress competition.

It said that the fere, which will be open from 1:30 p.m. at the British ambassador's residence on Jabal Amman, will include children's games, a raffle, a tombola, handicrafts, face paintings, home-made cakes and books, in addition to a children's fancy

NEWS IN BRIEF

Head of media company visits Syria

AMMAN (Petra) — Mr. Jawad Maraqa, director general of the Jordan Company for Television, Radio and Cinema production, left for Damascus Tuesday on a two-day visit to Syria. He will be meeting with a number of Syrian information officials to discuss cooperation between the company and the Syrian information departments in producing cultural, information and technical

22 tonnes of food deemed unfit

AMMAN (Petra) — Amman Greater Municipality teams last month visited 4,925 factories that process and sell food supplies in Animan region, and destroyed 27 tonnes of food stuffs found unfit Amman region, and destroyed 22 tonnes of local status total almit for human consumption. A spokesman for the Greater Amman Manicipality said that the teams had collected 369 samples of the food supplies and had them tested in the laboratory before the decision was made for the destruction of food supplies. He said that 71 per cent of the samples proved to be coming from products that are safe and fit for consumption.

Man sentenced for embezzlement

AMMAN (Petra) — The military court has sentenced Suleiman Salem Sabbagh Mahmond to three and a half years imprisonment for embezzling public funds. The military governor Tuesday endorsed the sentence.

IPA to train North Yemen officials

AMMAN (Petra) — The Institute of Public Administration (IPA) announced Fuesday that it will organise nine training programmes for employees of the Ministry of Education in North Yemen. The 200 participants will attend courses that will last 10 months.

221 ships docked at Aqaba in April

AGABA (Petra) — A total of 221 ships docked at Aqaba port during April this year, as against 229 ships in April 1986. The number of travellers who arrived via Aqaba-Nuweibeh sea link during last April was 25.258, up from 10,147 travellers during the same month of 1986. The number of departures via Aqaba-Nuweibeh sea link reached 12,952 travellers during May against 69.766 proviellers during May 1996 69.766 travellers during May 1986.

Amin tours Talibieh refugee camp to explain During the visit, Mr. Amin met with representative of the camp

soon be announced for building a cover for the open canals that drain away wastewater from Talibieh Palestinian refugee camp near here because open canals pose a public health hazard, Amman Governor Mohammad Ali communities Al Amin announced Tuesday.

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Social Security Corporation (SSC) will Speaking after a visit to the camp where he inspected the situation, he said that a 1,300 make direct contacts with local communities and various orgametre length of canal will be covered immediately and the caning the privileges provided for in the new SSC regulations that al will be diverted away from the main road. according to Dr. Mahdi Al Farhan, SSC director general. He said that the SSC has com-

He said that the cesspools of wastewater that have formed in the camp area will be dried and pleted preparations for opening two centres at Zarqa and Irbid and will later open two similar centres in Ma'an and Tafileh to facilitate procedures for beneficiaries of the SSC law and to ease forest trees will be planted in areas where the wastewater is to

pilgrims and also the contacts the

ministry has held with the Saudi

Arabian authorities to arrange for

the accommodation of Jordanian

In addition the minister is sche-

duled to outline arrangements for transportation of pilgrims from and to Saudi Arabia during the pilgrimage season. Normally, the

ministry provides health and

security missions to accompany

Pilgrimage facilities

in Jordan

The Al Rabiah district in

Aqaba has been assigned as an

area where pilgrims to the holy

places in Mecca and Medina will

the pilgrims to Saudi Arabia.

accommodating pilgrims to Mecca AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat will hold a press pose by Prime Minister Zaid conference tomorrow to explain

residents and with representa-tives of the Ministry of Occupied

Territories Affairs and the Ministry of Municipal and Rural

Affairs and the Environment.

Discussion during the meeting

District Governor of Jizeh

Haya Al Rawashdeh spoke at the

meeting, and outlined the diffe-

rent needs of the camp. The

governor promised that they will be met within available means. According to Mr. Amin, a spe-

cial committee will be set up to

study the various needs and re-

Khayyat to outline arrangements for

quirements for improving the

centred on means of improving

health services in the camp and

protective measures against dis-

the ministry's measures for the coming pilgrimage season to The announcement said that Egyptian pilgrims, who would be put up at the new site, are sche-The minister is expected to give details about the services which duled to arrive here via the land-sea route that links Aqaba with will be offered to the Jordanian Nuweibeh in Sinai.

It said that all preparations have been made to house up to 2,000 pilgrims per night and offer them basic services.

Jordan has another site for the pilgrims near Ramtha and in the Jordan Valley near the town of Shuneh. The latter is being used mostly by pilgrims from the Israeli-beld Arab territories.

The pilgrimage to Mecca usually precedes 'Eid Al Adha (Feast of the Sacrifice) which normally comes 70 days after 'Eid Al Fitr that marks the end of Ramadan. Jordan celebrated 'Eid Al Fitr on

Jordanian Muslims wishing to perform the pilgrimage should register their names with the nistry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs which is taking measures for ensuring the accommodation

to and from the holy places in Saudi Arabia and also for providing health and guidance services to the pilgrims on the way and within the holy places.

standard of services to the

Palestinian refugees residing at

the Talibieh camp.

The Passports Department is taking measures to facilitate issuing passports to pilgrims, students and Jordanian expatriates. They can obtain their documents in no more than two days after submitting applications and required documents, according to the department's director gener-al, Mr. Radwan Al Qasem.

He said that instructions have been issued to all branches of the department in the Kingdom to have sufficient number of emplovees to finalise the procedures for issuing the passports and to work extra hours if necessary in order to complete the work.

Applicants for passports need not appear in person but can authorise other people to submit the application on their behalf, Mr. Qasem noted.

According to him, the department last month issued 5,613 passports for which it charged JD 112.260 in fees.

SOS Children's Village to be set up in Aqaba

AMMAN (J.T.) — Plans are being worked out for the estab- Children's Villages Association, lishment of an SOS Children's Village in the port city of Aqaba. Feasibility studies and preparations for the project are expected to be completed before the end of this year, according to Mr. Jaafar Touqan, chairman of the board of directors of the SOS Children's

Village Association of Jordan. He said that the association has decided on this step after witnessing the success of the SOS village near Tareq, west of Amman, which was inaugurated by Their Majesties King Hussein and Queen Noor last month.

He said that the Cabinet has approved a supplement to an village.

based in Austria, for setting up

more such villages in the Kingdom. The villages are supported through donations and contributions from the local community

and give shelter and care to orphaned children in a home-like atmosphere. The Tareq village cares for 43

children in nine homes provided

with all basic services.

According to Mr. Touqan, the General Union of Voluntary Societies (GUVS) in Jordan has promised to extend financial help to the establishment of the Agaba

Princess Basma opens new Ibn Sina premises

AMMAN (Petra) --- Her Royal Highness Princess Basma Tues-day inaugurated the new premises of the Ibn Sina Charitable Society in Shmeisani. The Princess, who is chairperson of the board of trustees of the Queen Alia Social Welfare Fund (QASWF), toured the different sections of the new society complex and watched therapy sessions for disabled children.

different services offered to the Later, the Princess announced her contribution of JD 1,000 to the charitable society to help it

carry out its programmes. The inauguration ceremony was attended by Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh and Dr. Abdullah Al Khatib, chairman of the ex-ecutive committee of the General Union of Voluntary Societies in She also heard a briefing on the Jordan.

Jordan, Egypt to discuss trade and industries

on the agenda of a JordanianEgyptian joint technical committee which is due to meet in Cairo

The state of the state o on June 12, according to an announcement by the Ministry of Industry and Trade Tuesday.

The announcement said that lordan's delegation to the fourday meeting will include Mr. Mohammad Saqqaf, under secretary of the Ministry of Industry and Trade, and representatives of the Federation of Diyab said.

AMMAN (Petra) — Trade and Jordanian Chambers of Comindustry-related matters will be merce and Industry and the In another announcement, the

ministry's JTCC director, Mr. Ghazi Diyab, said that preparations have been completed for organising Jordan's national industrial fair in Tunis. The fair, the second of its kind to be held in the Tunisian capital, will be formally opened on June 30, Mr.

100-bed hospital to be built in Tafileh area

the SSC law, which originally be put up upon their arrival in came into force in January 1980. Jordan from Egypt, according to

AMMAN (Petra) - The Minis- Apart from the wards, the try of Public Works has com- complex will have adjacent buildpleted studies and prepared de-rings for services and residential signs for the construction of a quarters for nurses and staff, the public hospital in Tailleh district, minister noted, according to Mr. Mahmoud Al? He said that the projected hospital in the said that the said that the projected hospital in the said that th

ewarded to a construction firm during the current month.

Hawamdeh, minister of public pital which will be built on a total area of 11,000 square metres, is He said that a tender for con-scheduled to be set up on a 50 structing the 100-bed hospital has dunums of land. Financial allocaalready been floated. It should be tions for the project have been made from the budget of the current fiscal year.

Exchange programmes send 62 students abroad

AMMAN (Petra) — The Uni- embarked on their training versity of Jordan's Faculty of periods, mostly at industrial and Engineering and Technology has sent 62 of its male and female students to 17 different countries in order for them to gain practical experience with international

A university spokesman said that the students have been sent to the United States, Canada, Sweden, Egypt, Yugoslavia, Tur-key, West Germany, Denmark, Tunisia, Finland, Britain, Hun-

engineering institutions.

In return, the spokesman said, nearly 50 students will be coming to the University of Jordan for training and for practical experience in Jordanian institutions, within the framework of a programme organised by the International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience.

In the past two years, he said, gary. Poland, Switzerland, Jordan took part in such prog-Greece, Holland and France, rammes but gave no details about their duration.

Man sentenced for drug trafficking

AMMAN (Petra) — The military court has sentenced Sa'id Salim Omar Mohammad to four years imprisonment for trafficking captagon pills (drugs).



Royal Decree approves Sukljian as honorary consul for Uruguay

AMMAN (J.T.) — A Royal De- Jordanian economist and cree was issued approving the businessman, as honorary consul appointment of Mr. Barkev of Uruguay in Jordan. Mousa Sukijian, the well-known

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Time to help Lebanon

THERE is no doubt that the tragic death of Lebanese Prime Minister Rashid Karami has dealt a serious blow to efforts to end the strife in Lebanon on the basis of the Damascus-backed peace plan of January 1986.

Having prided and distinguished himself as a true Arab nationalist, going as far as describing the Lebanese and the Syrians as essentially one people living in two states, the late prime minister had obviously opted for an Arab solution to the

Lebanese problem. This stand had clearly antagonised and angered some factions and leaders in Lebanon who fought tooth and nail against the Syrian-brokered peace plan of 1986. And when Mr. Karami invited Syrian troops to take control of west Beirut in a bid to halt the seemingly irreversible deterioration in the security situation in the Lebanese capital, he might have

stepped on more toes than he had anticipated. Principally the Falangist Maronites felt most threatened by the late prime minister's moves, and through their selfproclaimed military leader, Samir Geagea, they made it amply clear that Mr. Karami had developed into a hated enemy who had to become dispensible to political life in Lebanon.

The Israelis also saw in Mr. Karami's close ties with Damascus a real threat to their ambitions in Lebanon which were directed at bringing that country under their sphere of influence, thus positioning themselves to manipulate events and circumstances to suit their designs and grand strategy for the whole area of the Middle East.

The late prime minister's vision and policy had been to fill the political vacuum in Lebanon by an Arab presence rather than have it filled up by default by Israel and other anti-Arab

In this at least, the nationalist Lebanese groups had supported his bid to keep Lebanon free and Arab for all times, and they are likely to continue this policy in the near future and beyond. But serious and injurious as Mr. Karami's death is to Arab efforts to halt the Lebanese conflict, it is by no means a fatal blow. There will be other leaders to pick up from where Mr. Karami left off. What is needed now is for the Arabs themselves to see to it that those sincere and nationalist forces maintain and increase their strength in bidding for the restoration of a sovereign and independent Arab Lebanon. This is a time for all Arab countries to close ranks with Lebanon and its legitimate government in order to consolidate whatever progress made on the path of national reconstruction and reconciliation, and to bury for ever the seeds of hatred and conflict which have divided and tormented the Lebanese people for so long.

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Al Ra'i: Loss of a symbol of unity

LEBANON yesterday lost one of its main political and public figures with the death of Prime Minister Rashid Karami. The loss came in one of the most grotesque incidents, in the form of assassination, Karami has been one of the symbols of unity in Lebanon largely due to his endeavours for bringing about reconciliation among the various warring factions and political groups. Karami has lived through the sufferings of his countrymen and has been advocating dialogue and negotiations rather than confrontation. The assassination of the prime minister of Lebanon meant not only the absence of a prominent personality from the Lebanese political scene but rather a set-back for all the aspirations and the dreams of the Lebanese citizens for an end to the civil strife. It was a hard blow directed to all efforts which Karami had been exerting for bringing security and peace to Lebanon. His death means a victory for the malicious elements and the evil forces who are bent on maintaining Lebanon in a turmoil of conflict and bloodshed. For this reason, we strongly condemn the assassination of Karami, who had served as a symbol of peace and reconciliation and who offered so much sacrifice and devotion to his people.

Al Dustour: Lebanon should wake up now

THE absence of Rashid Karami from the Lebanese political scene is a great loss for that country and the Arab Nation at large. His assassination, which was condemned by people everywhere, could usher in a new turning point to the worst in the on-going civil strife in Lebanon because Karami was one of those prominent figures who worked hard for bringing about reconciliation among the warring factions. Karami's long and seasoned experience in politics enabled him to carry on with his endeavours to achieve security for his country but his absence now is bound to leave a political vacuum and to render Lebanon weaker than any time in the past. It is really difficult to find a substitute for Karami as head of national salvation government at a time when the country is still rent with conflict and on the verge of collapse. Observers believe that the assassination is bound to rekindle old hostilities that fuel the civil war. We express deep sorrow for the loss of Karami, one of the most prominent and seasoned public figures of Lebanon, but we hope that his tragic death will serve as an alarm bell forcing the Lebanese people to wake up to their pitiable situation and take serious action for an end to tragedy.

Sawt Al Shaab: A tribute to Karami

THE assassination of Rashid Karami has left a big vacuum in the Lebanese political arena. The late prime minister had served as a symbol of unity among the various groups and political parties and has contributed to the efforts of designed to end the civil strife in the embattled nation. For his efforts and for his struggle to end the bloodshed in his country Karami was rewarded by a bomb that dismembered his body and which is bound to dismember the Lebanese people further. Karami had been a symbol of unity among the Lebanese and the enemy of none, and he enjoyed the love of all citizens. He had assumed his difficult responsibilities at a time when the country had been in flames, and its economy in shambles. Karami had refused to deal with the enemies of his country and was opposed to factional fighting and striving to bring an end to the bloodshed. The late prime minister who had had a long political career had never contested any other leader or militia commander, and had always been an example of devotion and patriotism.

Strange quirks in the U.S.-Israeli relationship

In Washington, both the indicted Israeli airforce colonel, Aviem Sella, and U.S. Attorney-General Edwin Meese share the same lawyer. The CIA reportedly concluded Jonathan Pollard was a 'closet spy' before he was given top secret security clearances to work for naval intelligence. Wolf Blitzer examines the current muted mood in Washington following the two Israeli reports on the spy debacle.

THERE HAVE been some U.S. News and World Report, strange quirks in the latest twists in a lengthy cover story published and turns in the Jonathan Jay on Pollard this week, portrayed

Pollard spy scandal. Incredible as it may sound, both Israel air force Colonel Aviem Sella, who has been indicted as Pollard's first "handler" in Washington, and U.S. Attorney-General Edwin Meese, who ultimately is responsible for prosecuting Sella, are now represented by the same Washington attorney, Nathan Lewin.

Meese has his own legal headaches. He is being investigated by a special federal prosecutor on charges of improper involvement in financial contract kickback arrangements in what is known as the Wedtech scandal. He needed a smart criminal lawyer. Like Sella, Meese turned to Lewin, one of the best in the U.S. capital.

Pollard's parents have also managed to get a new attorney to help in their son's appeal for a possible sentence reduction. Alan Dershowitz, the famed Harvard University legal scholar, has agreed to help the former civilian naval intelligence analyst who is currently serving a life sentence in a federal prison in Springfield.

Amnon Shahak, came to Washington where he even met Pollard's old boss at U.S. naval intelligence — among many other senior U.S. intelligence officials. Most recently, on the same morning that American officials

were first reading about the two Israeli investigatory reports on the Pollard affair, on the front page of The Washington Post. top Pentagon brass showed up at the Israel embassy's third annual research and development cooperation conference in Washington. The purpose of the three-day event is to strengthen cooperation between U.S. and Israeli defence-related industries.

The U.S. and Israel recognise that, despite the bard feelings generated by Israel's successful penetration of the U.S. intelligence community, both countries have an overriding mutual interest in not allowing the Pollard case to overly damage American-Israeli relations. There is simply too much at stake.

This also explains why the pubdoes not appear to have had any serious impact on the level of lic U.S. response to the release of day-to-day cooperation between the two Israeli reports this past week was muted. The U.S. Justhe two countries in intelligencesharing, political coordination tice Department did not issue any and military strategic planning.
In recent weeks, several senior formal reaction. A spokesman, Pat Korten, simply said: "We don't think it's appropriate to U.S. military officials have visited Israel while their Israeli colcomment." He noted, however, leagues have come to Washingthat the reports will not affect the ton. A meeting of the joint U.S.investigation which is continuing. Israeli military political group on Some U.S. law-enforcement austrategic cooperation convened in thorities suspect that Pollard may Israel on schedule. The chief of have been part of a broader thorities suspect that Pollard may

Israeli military intelligence, Alinf Amnon Shahak, came to ing in the U.S.

At the State Department, a spokesman simply expressed hope that the Israeli government will take the necessary steps to ensure that a Pollard-like operation can never recur in Washington.

In addition, the spokesman signalled America's irritation that Rafael Eitan, the veteran Israeli intelligence operative who was in overall charge of running Pollard, was apparently going to be allowed to maintain his post as chairman of Israel Chemicals. Israel had originally promised "to call into account" those officials involved in the espionage ring.

From the start, Reagan administration officials were generally prepared to accept Israel's position that Pollard was part of a 'rogue" unit. But once the Israeli government gave Eitan such a plum job and then promoted Sella to command the Tel Nof air base — a promotion later reversed following an extraordinary outcry from the U.S. — the administration was forced to come down very hard on Israel.

What was most ironic about the entire Pollard affair was the fact that when the former analyst was arrested by FBI agents outside the Israel embassy in November 1985. U.S.-Israeli relations, by any definition, were clearly stronger than they had ever been

In addition, American Jews

working in national security areas will continue to feel that they may be suspected by their non-Jewish

colleagues. Probably more than any other group of Americans, these Jewish intelligence officials are most furious about Pollard's actions which, they believe, have seriously undermined their own posi-

Elsewhere in the American Jewish community, there was some sense of relief that the Eban and Rotenstreich-Tsur reports did not accuse any of the top political leaders in Israel of directly knowing about Pollard's espionage activities. They praised the reports as underlining the democratic character of Israel.

Abraham Foxman, the associate executive director of the B'nai B'rith Anti- Defamation League, pointed out that the two Israeli reports were similar in scope to the Tower Commission report in Washington on the Iran-contra arms affair. That U.S. reports simply laid out the facts, without making any specific recom-mendations about overall guilt or responsibility. The same was true in Israel.

But there can be no denying that Israel's best friends in the U.S., are becoming increasingly embarrassed by the latest wave of scandals coming out of Israel. The two Pollard reports, for instance, came immediately after the Shin Bet was revealed as having come close to torturing an Israeli

Circassian army officer into confessing treason. "Court Finds Israel Framed a Muslim," read a front-page headline in The New York Times

In the aftermath of the Pollard affair, the Shin Bet scandals, the arms sales to Iran, the allegations of covert Israeli support to the contra rebels in Nicaragua, Israel's ties to South Africa, Jewish terrorism on the West Bank, and other sordid political developments in Israel, even Israel's best friends are increasingly ready to accept some ugly insinuations against Israel.

But it would be a mistake to conclude that all of these latest developments in Israel were dominating the thinking of official Washington or the American public. The big stories in the U.S. evolve around the Iran-contra affair and the escalating tension in the Persian Gulf following the Iraqi air attack on the USS Stark. The sex and money scandals involving the Rev. Jim Bakker and his wife, Tammy, also dominate

Thus, there is little talk in Washington of an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict, the momentum toward one virtually disappearing following Foreign Minister Shimon Peres's inability to win governmental approval for his proposals. But the cumulative public relations damage to Israel's image while perhaps contained, is still real — The Jerusalem Post.

Lebanese mourn Karami with national strike talks his emissaries have been

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palace red-eyed and with ointment smeared over burns on his

He told reporters he had been sitting opposite Mr. Karami when he felt the heat of the blast. "At first I thought Karami had been thrown out ... I tried to speak to the pilot and found he had been injured and his colleague had

"I was about to tell them to land... but at that instant I found Karami on my knees... he died instantly.

Mr. Rassi said the bomb had been put on the helicopter at an army base before it arrived in north Lebanon to take him and Mr. Karami to Beirut. He declined to say who was responsi-

. The Puma helicopter took off from its base near the port of Jounieh, north of Beirut.

Mr. Karami's death interrupted efforts to resolve a govrnment crisis caused by his May 4 resignation and many politicians feared it might aggravate civil war tensions.

There had been conflicting reports on Monday's bombing. Some said the explosive was carried aboard in Mr. Karami's attache case while others had it planted in the helicopter before-

No official report has been

issued. Military experts were still investigating how the bomb was planted aboard the helicopter that was bringing Mr. Karami to Beirut from a 10-day stay at his summer residence in the northern Lebanese resort of Bqaa Sefrine.

The bomb exploded 10 minutes after takeoff from Tripoli's Kubbeh military base near Bqaa Sefrine at mid-morning Monday. said one officer close to the inves-

Mr. Rassi disputed military claims that the homb was planted in Mr. Karami's attache case. "It was planted on the helicop-

ter before its arrival in North Lebanon to pick us up," Mr. Rassi told AP. "It was not, and I repeat not, planted in the north." The bomb came with the olane from an airbase belonging to the Lebanese army," Mr. Ras-

The helicopter had been dispatched to Tripoli from the Adma military base in the Christian heartland north of Beirut. Syrian troops were out in force on Tuesday, in Tripoli, with soldiers every few metres on the

city and plainclothes men checkng identities. The Syrians also mounted strict security at Mr. Karami's house and palace, sealing off nearby roads and searching mourners as

residents stared in silence from their balconies. Two groups have claimed responsibility for murdering Mr. Karami in telephone calls to in-

ternational news agencies. In one call on Monday, a "Captain Hammoud" said a secret cell of Lebanese army officers was behind the blast. A military spokesman dismissed the claim as

nonsense. In the second, a group named the "Vengeance Organisation for the Martyrs of Islam" said it had killed Mr. Karami, a firm Syrian ally, to avenge Syrian attacks on militants in Tripoli.

Last December, witnesses quoted by Reuter said Syrian troops killed over 200 civilians in the fundamentalist stronghold of Bab Tebbaneh.

Tripoli's leading Muslim cleric. Sheikh Saeed Shaaban, told Reuters the group's claim was "dust in people's eyes" and said Israeli agents had killed Mr. Kurami for his Arab nationalism and hostility

him as "a flamboyant poseur who falsely portrayed himself as a

master spy for Israel, then joined

the U.S. intelligence community

to live out his fantasies," It re-

ported that the CIA had con-

cluded that Pollard was "a fanci-

ful liar, a closet spy, a Zionist zealot and a drug abuser" before

he was granted top secret security

clearances to work for naval in-

telligence. Amazingly, the maga-

zine article said, the CIA refused

to share its assessment of Pollard

with the navy, considering its

records "its own business." The

Pollard affair clearly remains a

bone stuck in the throat of the

Americans, yet by all accounts, it

Acting Prime Minister Salim Hoss, who was named to replace Mr. Karami at midnight, said separate judicial and parliamentary investigations would be launched to complement the current military investigation and "reveal the perpetrators.

They will be properly punished. This is a matter of utmost importance." Mr. Hoss told AP in an interview after taking over the premiership Tuesday.

Mr. Hoss, a Sunni Muslim, said he has stressed upon President Amin Gemavel the urgent need to reform Lebanon's government system and deal with the "collapse in the economic and social situations.

"There have to be measures taken on these two scores: First the political reforms to be concluded through the talks under way in Damascus, and second the steps to be taken internally in order to rectify the deteriorating economic and social situation." Mr. Hoss said.

Muslim leaders have been accusing Mr. Gemayel of procras-tinating in the four-month-old

ment on reforms to give Lebanon's Muslims an equal share of power with the Christians. In an interview with Reuters, Mr. Hoss said he would pursue

Mr. Karami's policies and seek dialogue to end political dead-"Karami's government res-

igned and the president should accept its resignation," said Mr. Hoss, premier from 1976-80. He said he would head only a caretaker administration "until

discussions take place ... to save the country from its deteriorating political and economic predica-Mr. Karami tendered his resignation in frustration at the in-

"national unity" government to resolve disputes between Christians and Muslims and end 12 years of civil war. Mr. Gemayel, boycotted by Mr. Karami and other Muslim

ability of his three-year-old

ministers for the past 18 months. had not accepted the resignation. As he spoke, schools, shops. cafes, banks, the airport and various businesses were closed in Beirut's mainly Muslim western

and predominantly Christian eastern sectors in one of the rare displays of national unity since the nation's civil war erupted in

Arab and world leaders pay tribute his condolences Tuesday over the (Continued from page 1) assassination of Mr. Karami.

light of the confusion that reigns

in the country. Sir Geoffrey Howe. Britain's foreign secretary, said from Edinburgh. Scotland, "It is simply a human tragedy which is very

much to be regretted." United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar called Mr. Karami a statesman who had earned international re-

Pope John Paul II expressed

saying he deeply deplored the

killing. French President François Mitterrand on Tuesday sent a telegram to President Gemayel expressing sympathy over the killing of Mr. Karami.

The United States denounced the killing of Mr. Karami. calling it "a dark moment" in Lebanon's

Syria lowered flags to mark three days' state mourning.

Crown Prince in Canada holding with the Syrian govern-

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Development Agency, which is affiliated to the Ministry of External Affairs, is at present contributing to the efforts of oil prospecting in Jordan by providing expertise, equipment and conducting seismological surveys in potential areas.

The Ottawa meeting on Tues-day was attended by Minister of Industry and Trade Rajai Muasher, Secretary General of the Ministry of Planning Dr. Ziyad Fariz and Jordan's Ambassador to Canada Hani Khalifa. The Canadian side was represented by a number of senior officials.

Following the meeting, the two sides signed a memorandum of understanding between Jordan and Canada under which the Canadian government will prepare and finance technical and engineering studies of building a new wharf at Aqaba port.

The total cost of this study is estimated at two and a half million Canadian dollars and the total cost of building the wharf is estimated at JD 20 million. The agreement was signed for Jordan by Dr. Muasher and for Canada by Ms. Landry in the presence of Prince Hassan and members of the two delegations.

The two sides will later sign an agreement on guaranteeing investments.

Prince Hassan will also meet with representatives of businessmen and economic organisations in Canada, and will hold talks with Mr. Joe Clark, secretary of state for external affairs. Prince Hassan has already met

with Governor General of Canada Jeanne Suave who hosted a hanquet Monday in honour of the Crown Prince and the delegation accompanying him.

Prince Hassan, who flew to Canada after a visit to London, is also scheduled to meet with Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Rifai meets Greek leaders

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Greece's support of Arab causes and the country's repeated calls for a solution of the Middle East question and the Palestine problem through the implementation of United Nations resolutions, Petra said.

At a banquet in his honour hosted by Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou, Monday, Mr. Rifai expressed hope that his visit to Greece would contribute to the development of relations between Jordan and Greece. Mr. Rifai reviewed Jordan's

efforts to convene an international Middle East peace conference and also Jordan's five-year national development plan for the occupied territories.

In his address the prime minister also urged the European na- ported. tions to help end the Gulf con-

leadership of King Hussein for the guidelines for settling all injust peace in the Middle East. He ternational problems including forces from all occupied Arab regions so that peace could be established. Shortly after his arrival in

Athens on Monday Mr. Rifai held a round of talks with Mr. Papandreou and later said regional and international questions were discussed at the meeting. Education Minister Hindawi held a meeting here Tuesday with his Greek counterpart Antonis

Tritsis. They discussed bilateral cooperation in cultural fields and the condition of Jordanian students in Greece, Petra said. The two ministers agreed on holding future contacts on assigning seats at Greek and Jordanian

universities for Jordanian and Greek students. Mr. Hindawi voiced Jordan's appreciation for facilities offered to Jordanian students in Greece. Other members of the Jordanian delegation held talks with

Greek officials on promoting agricultural, trade and economic

cooperation between Jordan and

Earlier in the day, Mr. Rifai called at the Unknown Soldiers' Monument in Athens and laid a wreath there.

Mr. Rifai concluded his talks with Greek leaders with a second meeting on Tuesday with Mr. Papandreou. The Greek prime minister expressed his happiness with the visit of the Jordanian delegation and said the visit laid a new foundation to relations be-

tween the two countries. Mr. Rifai thanked the Greek government for the warm welcome and hospitality accorded to the delegation during the visit and praised the closeness of views on many subjects discussed between the two sides, Petra re-

Mr. Rifai said international flict: legitimacy, the U.N. Charter and In reply, Mr. Papandreou the inadmissibility of occupying praised Jordan's efforts under the others' land by force should be the Middle East conflict.

> At the conclusion of the visit, Jordan and Greece signed an agreement on cooperation in the field of tourism. It was signed for Jordan by Mr. Hindawi and the acting foreign minister of Greece signed the accord on behalf of his country.

The agreement calls on both sides to undertake measures to implement joint touristic projects and to exchange of expertise and information in the field of tourism.

The agreement also stipulates that the two countries will cooperate in training hotel personnel and bring out pamphlets on touristic attractions in both countries, in addition to regulating tourism marketing and operations of tour and travel agencies.

The agreement also calls for the formation of a special committee to regulate visa and border regulations of the two countries to facilitate the travel of their citizens to each others' country.

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Attack on USS Stark worries Japan

By Maggie Jackson The Associated Press

TOKYO — The attack on the U.S. frigate Stark jangled nerves in Japan and caused worry about the safety of this country's crucial oil supplies from the Gulf. But few analysts believe Japan ran or should play a military role

in the war-stricken region. Government officials, oil companies and industry observers said in interviews that Japan would continue to rely on diplomatic channels in working for safe passage in the Gulf, the source of 70 per cent of its oil.

Answering U.S. criticism that Japan enjoys a free defence ride in the Gulf, Japanese officials note that their post-war constitution precludes any military activity abroad.

Apart from provoking resistance at home, a military presence in the Gulf could provoke Asian nations who remember Japan's militaristic past.

"There are many ways of contributing to the security and sta-bility of the region," Foreign Ministry spokesman Takeshi Ohara told reporters shortly after the May 17 Iraqi attack on the Stark that killed 37 American

Iran has apologised, calling the attack a mistake. "What Japan can contribute most usefully and effectively is in

By Phil Davison

Reuter

ORANGE WALK, Belize

Drug agents call it "Rambo Town," the kind of place where

torture is common, guns are vital

Orange Walk, in northern Belize within 25 kilometres of Mex-

ico, is at the heart of a marijuana

business worth up to \$1 billion a year at U.S. street prices.

a runway for smnggling mari-

juans mainly to the United States. Hundreds of people have

been tortured and killed in drug-

related killings; their corpses

often found in unmarked graves.

of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) who assist

them, say more than 460 tonnes

delit

Belizean officials, and agents

Airplanes use the main road as

and strangers seldom survive.

the area of diplomatic efforts, and we'll continue to do that,"

But "as far as military involve-ment is concerned," he said Japan had "constitutional constraints and we can't send selfdefence (military) forces over-

Yoshifumi Matsuda, another ministry spokesman, added that Japan won't make any financial or military contributions unless required by joint action of the U.N. Security Council. Japan, a temporary council member, has no intention of bringing up the matter at the U.N., he said.

Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher said last week during a Tokyo visit, "it is the failure of Japan to take the lead rather than overt action for which I would fault Japan. There is not enough talk about burden-

He noted that the United States buys only 7 per cent of its oil imports from the Gulf but shoulders the main defence role.

Ohara answered, "Japan, as a nation that has good diplomatic relations both with Iraq and Iran, has worked constantly at every opportunity since 1982" to attain peace there.

Japan's postwar constitution prohibits any armed forces, but has been interpreted loosely to permit a "self-defence force" of considerable strength.

of marijuana, known in the trade

as Belize breeze," reached U.S.

Despite a campaign to destroy

marijuana by aerial spraying or chopping and burning, fields

simply reappear, according to

on small aircraft into the United

States, mainly Texas, Louisiana

or Florida. The craft fly below

If enough cash is at stake, a

plane will come in during broad

daylight, according to members

of the local paramilitary Belize

The most popular airport has been the main highway through

Belize, at a point a few

kilometres south of Orange

Walk. Most flights swoop in be-

tween midnight and 2 a.m. after

radar at prearranged times.

Defence Force (BDF).

Most of the marijuana is flown

U.S. and Belizean officials.

streets last year.

The United States has pressed Japan to upgrade the defence of its air and sea lanes, and applauded the January decision to scrap a decade-old policy limiting defence spending to 1 per cent of gross national product. The new budget raised defence spending to 1.004 per cent, compared with

7 per cent in the United States. Industry officials say many oil companies back the government's cautious stance, worrying that increased U.S. naval movements in the area may escalate tensions.

Yasuhiko Tashiro, a senior economist for Idemitsu Oil Co., said, "the only thing we are afraid of is that the Americans will increase their power there. If they increase the tension unnecessarily it will cause further problems.

Asked how Japan could help. he said." what do they expect Japan to do? The only thing we can do is intermediate. We cannot send any frigates."

The Japanese sent condolences to the United States and expressed "deep respect to the U.S. fleet in the Gulf."

Three Japanese tankers have been hit this year in the Gulf, all allegedly by Iran. More than 300 ships in all have been attacked since the war spread to the Gulf waters in 1984, and about 230 of them have been hit.

Concerns are growing in the

Guatemala, once suffered the in-

dignity of being stopped on the

main highway by a group of heavily armed hooded men.

had to watch as a DC-3 airliner

roared in, was met by several

trucks that appeared from out of

the jungle, and flew out loaded.
A couple of years ago the

government erected five metre

metal poles along the roadside to

In recent months, some of the

poles have been flattened, and,

according to a reservist BDF ma-

jor, "you can bet they're still

using the highway."

wreck planes trying to land.

Unarmed, the British soldiers

Japanese oil industry," said Tsu-tomu Toichi, director of international oil markets at the Institute of Energy Economics, a private think tank. "The Stark accident strengthened such concern be-cause the U.S. presence in the Gulf will become more important in the future, and there's a higher possibility of a confrontation with

Japan imports virtually all of its oil, 70 per cent of it from the Middle East. In the fiscal year ending in March, Japan imported 1.8 billion barrels of oil, and its largest supplier was the United Arab Emirates, according to government figures.

On May 5, an Iranian gunboat attacked the Japanese tanker Shuho Maru, chartered by Nippol Oil, causing minor damage. Japan objected to Iran in language just short of a formal pro-test, a government official said.

The Seamen's Union and the Japan Shipowner's Association responded by banning Japanese shipping in the northern Gulf, affecting about 10 per cent of Japanese oil imports, and sought an Iranian pledge to halt such

"We have no intention to resume shipping north of the Persian Gulf," said Ichiya Nakayama of the Shipowner's Association. 'We're waiting for good news or for countermeasures.

Belize highways turn runways for marijuana planes

local dealers and helpers mark 4,000 marijuana fields in Belize, the highway with roadside fires. each about the size of a football A jeepload of off-duty British field. But DEA agents say 2,000 soldiers, here as part of a force protecting Belize's border with fields are more likely.

Orange Walk was nicknamed Rambo Town" after the "macho" style of life portrayed by Sylvester Stallone in the movie 'Rambo."

Guns and swagger are important attributes for residents.

Tortured bodies are often dug up by investigators. The corpses usually remain unidentified, thought to be illegal aliens and assumed to have been "disposed off' in drug disputes, police say.

Strangers, even Belizeans, are strongly advised to stay away and especially not to take any evening strolls.

"Even during the day people are going to be suspicious," one He estimated there were up to diplomat told Reuters.

Mauritania goes fishing — in a big way

Mauritania, with some of the richest fishing grounds in the world has, until recently, been unable to capitalise on them. Now Peter Blackburn reports how a new strategy is bringing a greater measure

NOUADHIBOU — The desert covered West African Arab state of Mauritania, which has one of the world's richest fishing grounds off its shores, adopted a long-term fisheries strategy in April this year, aimed at conserving resources, increasing local added value and promoting

small-scale fishing.

Mauritania's fishing industry
has developed rapidly since the government implemented a new fisheries policy six years ago. Fish exports have now overtaken iron ore to become the country's main export earner and were worth about \$278 million in 1986.

The new policy has sought to integrate foreign fishing fleets into the local economy and reduce the amount of illegal fishing. Mauritanian-controlled joint ventures have gradually replaced the former fishing licence system. Joint ventures have been set up with Arab, Eastern bloc and Scandinavian countries.

"Previously only foreign ships fished deep sea. Now there are nearly 140 Mauritanian fishing vessels." said Dr. Ahmed Mahmoud Cherif, the secretarygeneral at the Fisheries and Maritime Economy Ministry.

The creation of the state-owned Societe Mauritanienne de Commercialisation du Poisson (SMCP) in 1984 with a monopoly of exporting high value demersal (bottom-feeding) fish and crus-tacea has helped to improve government revenue and provide a secure market for small-scale operations.

SMCP exported 60,000 tonnes of fish products worth \$153 million in 1986. The main market was Japan which accounted for 75 per cent of the total value. Prospects for 1987 are highly promis-ing with the value of exports up by 50 per cent during the first quarter, according to SMCP's export manager, Sidi Mahmmad Aghailass.

The value of small-scale fishermen's catches is expected to quadruple to \$20 million in 1987. So far they have failed to benefit fully from the rapid growth of the industry. There are about 2,400 such fishermen but their annual catch totals only some 10,000

The development of smallscale fishing would provide major benefits in terms of jobs and income and the government has now decided to correct the imbalance, Dr. Cherif said.

About \$110 million has been invested in the development of the local fisheries industry since 1980. But investment has been 'incoherent" with excess onshore freezing and processing capacity, according to Dr. Cherif. The high cost of electricity and other onshore services also makes it difficult for local fish processors

to be competitive. The situation is aggravated by the fact that many modern trawlers are able to process, store and trans-ship their catches at sea.

Ship maintenance, repair and supply services are either expensive or inadequate at Novadhibou and most vessels use Las Palmas, in the Canary Islands, as their

Net foreign exchange earnings

are greatly reduced by offshore payments for ship maintenance, fuel, equipment and wages. All ships' officers and 70 per cent of the crews are foreigners. The rapid development of the

fishing industry has caused concern that demersal and small pelagic (free swimming) species are being over-exploited. The maximum sustainable

yield is estimated at about 600,000 tonnes a year of which 426,000 tonnes for small pelagic species and 143,000 tonnes for demersal fish. Exports last year rose sharply

to 390,000 tonnes but this does not include fish trans-shipped at sea or what experts describe as a "substantial" amount of illegal

With emphasis now being placed on the need to conserve fish resources and prices not expected to rise much further the main way to increase earnings was to develop local added value and to reduce hard currency payments for fisheries services, Dr. Cherif said.

The new government strategy seeks to correct imbalances in fisheries policy and define longterm aims, he explained. There

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plane. Trawlers are considered

more effective than naval patrol

vessels becaue they are less con-

spicuous and are able to stay out

at sea for much longer periods.

- Increased local added value:

The government recently

approved a study carried out by

the U.K.'s crown agents which

identified eight investment pro-

jects costing up to \$60 million.
They include a ship repair

yard, development of small-scale

fishing through construction of a

of 1987 so that a donors meeting

can be held early next year -

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are two main objectives: The protection and conservation of fish resources taking account of the need to amortise

investments in trawlers and onshore freezing and processing facilities. No new fishing licences or charter agreements will be granted to foreign vessels for

bottom fishing and existing ones will not be renewed. Pelagic fishing agreements with the Soviet Union, Romania, Iraq, East Germany and Nigeria are not affected however. Authorisation for Mauritanians

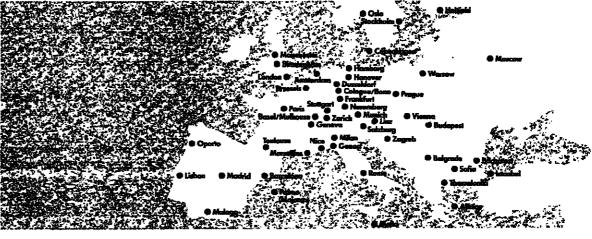
to buy deep-sea fishing vessels will be strictly controlled so as to prevent further increase in surplus capacity. Fisheries surveillance will be

increased by the purchase of a 45

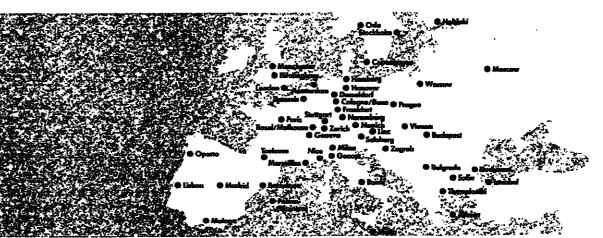
boat building workshop at Nouadhibou and beach landing centres along the coast as well as training programmes. Aid donors have agreed to finance feasibility studies which should be completed by the end

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Lendl, Evert, Navratilova into Open French semifinals

'PARIS (AP) - Defending Champions Ivan Lendl and Chris Evert, along with top-seeded Martina Navratilova, easily advanced to the semifinals of the French Open Tuesday.

It's familiar territory for all three players. Evert has been in . the semifinals at this Grand Slam tournament for nine consecutive years, Lendl and Navratilova four

. Lendl recovered from early problems to defeat 10th-seeded Andres Gomez of Ecuador 5-7. 6-4, 6-1, 6-1, losing just three of

the last 15 games.
"He can be like a madman at the start, but the chances are he's the one who'll tire out." Lendl said after beating Gomez for the 13th time in a row.

He will play the winner of the last quarterfinal match, between Czechoslovaks Miloslav Mecir. the fifth seed, and unseeded

Evert beat 14th-seeded Raffaella Reggi 6-2, 6-2, giving up just eight points after losing the first two games of the second set.

She's hyper at 11 o'clock in the morning, that's for sure," Evert said of Reggi. in a Grand Slam quarterfinal match for the first time. That match opened the day on centre court, with less than half of the 18,000 seats occupied.

Navratilova had the easiest time of all, whipping eigth-seeded Claudia Kohde-Kilsch of West Germany 6-1, 6-2, in 65 minutes. The Evert-Navratilova match

will be the 72nd of their careers. and the first since the U.S. open in 1981 in other than the final round. Navratilova, looking for her first tournament victory of the year, leads the series 37-34.

Steffi Graf of West Germany and Gabriela Sabatini of Argentisa, a pair of 17 year olds, advanced to the other women's semifinal Monday. The second men's emi will be filled Wednesday.

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After having problems in the early rounds, Navratilova has been overpowering. She has not lost a set since the second round and has dropped just seven games in her last three matches.

Against Kohde-Kilsch, she attacked with a style more often seen on fast courts than the slow clay of the French Open.

Navratilova would serve and immediately charge the net. usually to hit a putaway following off Kohde-Kilsch's return.

She won the first four games of the second set, capping the run with a forehand crosscourt volley against the West German's serve.

Kohde-Kisch broke back with strong forehands and service returns in the fifth game and held at 15 on a forehand volley winner in

But Navratilova held for 5-2 on flying forehand volley and broke on her third match point with a backhand crosscourt passing shot.

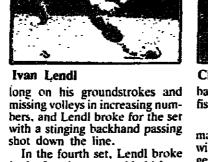
Playing for the second time in 24 hours on centre court. Lendl looked groggy in the opening set against Gomez, who had been taken to five sets in each of his previous two matches.

The world's top-ranked player squandered three breaks points or a 5-2 lead in the first set. Gomez held and won four of the next five games, braking for the set on a forehand volley.

In the second set, got the only break he needed in the seventh game on an overhead backhand volley, held for 5-3 in a game that went to deuce seven times and took the set at 15 on a service

He raced to a 4-0 lead in the third set, winning two of the games at love. Gomez was hitting

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in the fourth game and held for a 4-1 edge. He then allowed Gomez just two points in the final two games, with the Ecuadoran getting so frustrated on one error that, when Lendl returned the ball, Gomez kicked it into the

Lendl won the match as he had won the previous set, with a up."



Chris Evert

backhand pass, and pumped his fist in victory.

Evert and Reggi started the match as if neither was ready to win. But, while Reggi stayed ragged, Evert improved dramatically as the match went on, helped by a long game in the first set that went to deuce seven times.

"It took me a while to get warmed up, and she's out there jumping up and down and ready to go," Evert said. "After that marathon game I was warmed

Roland Garros' French Open comes of age

PARIS (AP) — When France's wearing brand-name shorts and "Four Musketeers" played their whacking topspin forehands with first matches at the spanking new Roland Garros Stadium in 1928, they wore long pants and hit volleys with simple wooden rack-ets before the well-heeled tennis enthusiasts who paid pittance to

the Rene Lacoste. Jean Borotra. Henri Cochet and Jacques Brugnon put France on the international tennis map by defeating the United States in the 1927 David

Roland Garros, built for their prestigious rematch the following year, has been the home of the French Open ever since.

But times have changed since the days when leisure and elegance were the watchwords of the two-week clay-court contest. French stars Yannick Noah and

Henri Leconte earn huge salaries

the latest in racket technology. Centre court bleacher seats sell for \$100 or more each on the black market, which thrives in

subway corridors and avenues

leading to the stadium. Sportswear manufacturers and It's been nearly 60 years since racket companies promote their wares along the concrete walkways that replaced the treeshaded avenues and grassy spaces where the players and public once

took shelter from the hot sun. Once a curiosity that filled the stands on weekends, if then, the French Open now rivets the attention of the entire nation -taxi drivers, housekeepers and college professors alike.

Sold out daily, with average attendance of 26,000-28,000 depending on the number of courts in use, the matches are broadcast live in French television

Official doubles estimate of 1991 yachting race to \$50m

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Sail America president Malin Burnham has doubled to \$50 million his estimate of what it would cost San Diego to stage the next America's Cup

Yachting Race if selected as host. Burnham said the new figure is based on a San Diego port district study of what Australia spent to stage the 1987 cup off Fremantle in February.

Dennis Conner skippered the San Diego Yacht Club entry, Stars and Stripes, to victory over Australian defender Kookaburra

The victory returned the cup to the United States and gave the yacht club, with input from Sail America, the right to choose the venue for the defence of the sailing trophy. Sail America is the syndicate that managed Conner's effort for the yacht club, raising

Concerned about the sometimes light wind conditions off San Diego, Conner and Sail America officials want the yacht club to consider other areas of the country for the 1991 event.

\$15 million to finance the chal-

Italy tries to end Swedish jinx in European qualifier

STOCKHOLM (R) — Italy are aiming to end their Swedish jinx vith victory Wednesday in a European soccer championship qualifier that would give the Italians a commanding lead in the Group Two competition.

Italy, with eight points from four matches, have not won in Sweden since 1912 and will be trying to avenge a double defeat four years ago when, as world champions, they were beaten 2-0 in Gothenburg and then 3-0 in

Sweden trail Italy by one point and desperately need a victory to stay in the running for the lone qualifying berth for the finals in

West Germany next year.

Despite injuries to midfielder Stefan Petterson and striker Mats Magnusson, the Swedish side remains optimistic.

"I think we can shake the Italians in the air. I know we can beat them," said Glenn Hysen, the veteran Gothenburg de-

Swedish manager Olle Nordin said Petterson, a member of this year's UEFA cup winners IFK Gothenburg, was suffering from a strained groin muscle, while Mag-

nusson had a back injury.

Manager Azeglio Vicini will
also juggle the Italian lineup due
to injuries to World Cup veteran Antonio Cabrini and Sebastiano

Iceland banks on exiles against E. German footballers

REYKJAVIK (R) — Iceland, with the stalwart Asgeir Sigurvinsson and emerging striker Arnor Gudjohnsen among the key figures, are banking on their eight exiles for a repeat soccer triumph over East Germany

Wednesday. Iceland seek to emulate their 2-1 win over East Germany in 1975 — still remembered as Iceland's biggest claim to soccer fame — when they clash in a European championship Group Three qualifying match.

Sigurvinsson is a notable survivor from the team who triumphed 12 years ago, having scored the clearance by the Icelandic goal-

Sigurvinsson, who plays for West German club Stuttgart, is one of the eight European-based players in Iceland's squad. Yet although his experience will be an important ingredient in their challenge, the focus of attention is likely to be Gudjohnsen.

Gudjohnsen carries triple hon-ours from his exploits in Belgium. His club Anderlecht were Belgian champions, he was the season's leading scorer, and was voted the most outstanding player by Heut Niewsblatt, the country's largest daily newspaper.

Alysheba tries to snatch first Triple Crown since 1978 NEW YORK (AP) - Trainer heat will bother him. If he doesn't of which is Gone West, who

Jack Van Berg knows he'll need some luck for Alysheba to win Saturday's 119th Belmont Stakes and become the 12th Triple Crown winner in thoroughbred history. But he remains confident he has the horse to do it.

"He acts to me like he likes it here better than any other place," Van Berg said Monday after the colt jogged more than a mile (1.6 kilometre) in the earlymorning at Belmont Park before temperatures reached the 90s F

"He's relaxed. I don't think the

Coventry

sets out on

COVENTRY, England (R)

English Football Association

(F.A.) Cup winners Coventry

have raised their sights from the

bargain basement to the top draw

in a search for new players for

John Sillett, whose promotion

from chief coach to team mana-

ger was announced Tuesday, said

he planned to improve the squad

which took the club to Wembley

for the first time in its 104-year

"Only five or six clubs have got big money to spend and we are

among them. I am not knocking

any player signed by this club, or

who has left it, but now we shall

be shopping at Harrods and not

at Woolworths," he said, refer-

ring to stores at the top and lower

He gave a broad hint that a striker would be high on his list.

Division championship last sea-

son if we had converted more of

"I know the three players I

want, and if they are available at

the right price, they will be

Coventry players before the new

soccer coach

opts for youth

PARIS (R) - Coach Henri

Michel has decided to inject a

dose of youth into the national

squad to play Norway in their

European championship qual-

ifying match later this month fol-

lowing the retirement of Michel

Bordeaux striker Philippe

Fargeon, who has become the

surprise star of the French soccer

season, will make his debut with

the defending European cham-

pions in the game on June 16,

"After Platini's retirement. I

have to bring some younger blood into the side." said Michel.

"We would have won the First

ends of the retail market.

our chances." he said.

French

spending

spree

next season.

like it, I'm going to look like a big dummy.

The Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner will have his final workout on Thursday entry day when a field of nine is expected to be named for the 1.5-mile (2.4-kilometre) Bel-

Under a new bonus arrange-ment this year, the Triple Crown winner will be guaranteed \$5 million, including the purses from the

Alysheba has beaten every horse in the field except two, one

skipped the first two legs, and is trainer Woody Stephens' chief hope to win his sixth straight Belmont. Gone West has won

four of eight starts this year. Manassa Jack, who did not run in the other two legs but was added to the list of Belmont probables Monday, is the other horse not to have met Alysheba. He has won one of four starts this

Alysheba, a winner only three times in 12 lifetime starts, including a disqualification from first to third for interference in one race. has earned \$1,462,726.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Tunisia wins African Zone qualifier

TUNIS (R) — Tunisia has reached the second round of the African Zone Olympic soccer qualifying Tournament when they beat Sierra Leone 2-0 (half-time 1-0). Sunday's second leg victory came after they were beaten 1-0 two weeks ago in Sierra Leone

Norway's soccer team to play Soviets

OSLO (R) — Norway's giant-killing reputation will be put to the test when they meet the Soviet Union in a European Soccer Championship match Wednesday. But the Group Three qualifying game at the Ullevaal Stadium for the 1988 championship will also be a test of Soviet morale. Eight players from Dynamo Kiev — they recently suffered a humiliating home defeat at the hands of Portugal's Porto in the European Cup - are in the squad, and Soviet coach Valery Lobvanovsky has said be is worried about the psychological effects of that defeat. Norway, who drew 0-0 last week with Italy in a friendly game, will be looking to preserve a solid home record which included wins over Argentina and Denmark last year. Their squad, a mixture of exiled professionals and home-grown amateurs, is unchanged from the match against Italy.

Frenchman wins overall cycling race

CARPENTRAS, France (AP) — American cyclist Roy Knickman peddled to victory in Monday's eighth and final leg of the 39th Criterium Du Dauphine cycling race, but Frenchman Charles Mottet, leading for days, won the race. While heated competition for the lead marked the first half of the 193-kilometre leg from Sisteron to Carpentras, the riders showed little interest in the second half, turning it over to a group of seven riders, including Knickman, who posed no threat. The American, in a surprising breakaway one kilometre from Carpentras, crossed the finish line two seconds ahead of his six main competitors. The races favourites, riding without enthusiasm after the group of seven moved ahead, finished 20 minutes later. Mottet was 40th.

French fullback sets new points record

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — Fullback Didler Camberabero scored a world record of 30 points as France connortably qualified for the quarter-finals of the Rugby World Cup, beating Zimbabwe 70-12 in Auckland Tuesday. The previous record of 27 points was set only two hours earlier in Dunedin by Gavin Hastings of Scotland against Romania, in another World Cup game. Camberabero scored three tries (12 points) and nine conversions (18). The record before Tuesday was 26 held by New Zealanders Allan Hewson against Australia and Grant Fox against Fiji. France thus won Pool Four of the World Cup and will next play against Fiji in the quarter-finals at Auckland on Sunday. Scotland finished second in the pool and will play New Zealand at Christchurch on Saturday. France and Scotland tied on points in their pool but France won a countback of tries scored in their 20-20 draw with Scotland last week. Injuries cut Zimbabwe down to 14 men for most of the second half as the French piled on the

Jockey Carson suspended

LONDON (R) — Former champion jockey Willie Carson lost his chance to ride Don't Forget Me in the Royal Ascot meeting when he was suspended for seven days by the stewards at Bath for improper riding on Monday. Carson, who rode Don't Forget Me to victory in both the English and Irish 2,000 Guineas, was found to have struck rival jockey Ian Johnson across the back with his whip while riding viceroy Melody in the Downs Stakes. Carson's mount, drawn in stall one next to the rail, was squeezed for room on the bend half a mile from home and again in the last 50 yards.

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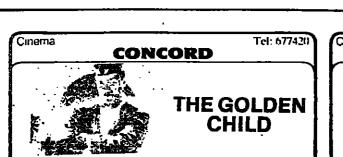
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LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets on Tuesday.

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U.S. dollars

Norwegian crowns

One ounce of gold 450,30/80

of expatriate workers leaving the Gulf is rising steadily and countries are enforcing stricter controls on employment of foreigners, a leading Bahrain-based bank has said.

Gulf International Bank economist Henry Azzam said: "with the completion of major infrastructure projects, many com-panies, especially construction firms, have cut staff and reduced salaries and employees' be-

In a study on Gulf labour markets, Mr. Azzam concluded that economic decline in the region. coupled with the end of the oilfed construction boom, will mean demand for foreign labour will switch from unskilled to higher manual jobs have been lost in the

construction industry and related "The largest and most vulner-able part of the foreign workforce in the Gulf has been the unskilled and semi-skilled Asian construcactivities, demand is still growing for service and manufacturing sector workers and for skilled tion workers. The exodus of this Mr. Azzam, said foreign workers group is expected to continue in in 1985 made up 65 per cent of the coming few years," he said. the 6.6-million-strong labour

However, the study concluded that the number of Americans and Europeans had also been falling as these expatriates are replaced by normally less expensive Asians.

The biggest challenge facing policy makers in the Gulf was not only to increase the national labour force but to develop new attitudes towards blue-collar jobs and render them more socially

Study shows rising expatriate Exodus from Gulf Arab nations of Unskilled labourers fell 17 per cent in 1986 Study shows rising expatriate While thousands of unskilled labourers fell 17 per cent in 1986 Study shows rising expatriate Venice offers no quick fix for world economy

LONDON (R) — Anyone looking to next week's Venice summit for new ideas on problems that beset the world economy risks disappointment, say spokesmen for participants.

new policy initiatives on how to accelerate sluggish economic expansion, fend off threats of trade protection or grapple with Third World debt.

Emphasis will be on implementing already-agreed policies to try to maintain the expansion on which jobs. Irving standards and management of the debt crisis depend.

"Economic policy decision made last year in Tokyo and at this year's meetings of Group of Seven finance ministers in Paris and Washington cannot be ignored or forgotten. The commitments made at these meetings need to be translated into ac-President Reagan said tion.'' Monday.

According to West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl: "The translation of previous announcements into practical policy is more important than new declarations and commitments."

But some economists question whether existing policies are enough, or challenge the extent of commitment to them. They ask if Japan and West Germany are doing enough to reflate their economies and stimulate consumer demand, so they buy more other nations' goods and sell less of

And they cite fears about rekindled U.S. inflation that might send interest rates up and aggravate the debt crisis.

The dollar has nearly halved in value against the yen and mark since the 1985 Plaza agreement when the leading industrial nations agreed it was overvalued. But a huge U.S. trade deficit, eliciting congressional pleas for action to protect U.S. jobs, con-

They stress there may be no tinues to contrast with Japanese and German surpluses.

Still, government officials said they did not expect the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Italy, Britain and Canada to go much beyond restating in Venice the goals enshrined in their finance ministers' "Louvre accord" of last February.
Under that, Japan and West

Germany agreed to work toward reducing their surpluses in return for a U.S. pledge to reduce its federal budget deficit — low U.S. taxes and high federal spending help suck imports into the United States.

A package of planned tax cuts and more government spending, together worth \$42 billion, was announced by Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone last week and is likely to save Japan from summit criticism that it is doing too

Mr. Kohl is now likely to be ressed for similar moves — U.S. Assistant Treasury Secretary David Mulford has said the United States will demand that Mr. Kohl confirm a commitment that policies will be reviewed if German growth does not pick up.

But German sources said Mr. Kohl would resist. His Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg has problems financing tax cuts promised for 1990.

"There is just no room for manoeuvre for any economic moves," an official said. European officials also rule out

progress in Venice on U.S. plans for a more formal strategy for coordinating economic policies, based on a series of economic

such things as trade, growth, interest and exchange rates, infla-tion and fiscal deficits, show members do not meet commit-

But Germany and Britain fear that would erode sovereignty. Britain says the proposals are too

complicated and rigid. Recent developments on Third World debt, including moves by two of the largest U.S. banks to set aside billions of dollars to cover bad loans, are sure to be discussed in Venice.

U.S. and Japanese officials said they want the summit to call on banks to do more to provide new loans. Officials saw scope for accord on a Franco-British plan aimed to help the very poorest debtors through concessional res-

cheduling. The leaders may also discuss plans to cut their state subsidies to farmers which strain budgets, create "mountains" and "lakes" of surplus produce and depress prices — causing anguish to Third World peasants and other unsubsidised farmers.

"We want to see to it that farmers will be able to compete Canadian Prime Minister

Brian Mulroney said. The United States intends to table proposals on agriculture in GATT, the world trade body, right after the summit, signalling that it should have precedence in the new round of GATT free trade negotiations begun last year in Uruguay.

"We won't have much tolerance for delay," U.S. Agriculture Secretary Richard Lyng said.

But Éuropean officials said they would resist such moves, making an agreement in Venice unlikely. France and other EC members fear they may lose leverage over America in the trade parleys generally, if they

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) - The morning's share price push into record territory faded around mid-afternoon as investors started to bank profits after annual figures from Hanson Trust.

Dealers said rumours of an opinion poll to be broadcast on BBC television later Tuesday which may show Labour and Conservative parties running level in marginal seats unsettled the market during the afternoon and helped push prices lower.

By 1448 GMT the FTSE 100 index was down 7.4 points from Monday's record high close to stand at 2.220.7. It had reached a record 2.248.8 by 0918 GMT. The F.T. 30-share index at 1400 GMT was down 4.5 to 1,726.2 after a record 1,746.6.

Shares were further unsettled by the small fulls in government bond prices, which showed declines of up to 1/4 point following news of a larger than expected rise in U.K. underlying currency

- Dealers said the record \$4.76 billion rise in reserves prompted concern about funding dollar purchases on the foreign exchanges. with operators mindful of the possible consequences of a bulge in U.K. money supply to cover the purchases.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: You can be unusually productive now. Decide what your true ambitions in life are and then you can work out the details for such courses of action.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Make those plans definite that you have long been contemplating. Get started on the legwork needed.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Do whatever will make your home more charming. Try to improve your creativity and get better results.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) It's a good morning for talking over with partners the course you want to follow MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) You know

how to add to your holdings now. Gain the assistance of those who know about finances. LEO Jul, 22 to Aug. 21) Plan the good times you want

to have in the near future and get more pleasure out of life. Contact your good friends. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Contact those you know who can give you the support you need to put across

some new venture LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) The one you love has fine ideas for your mutual betterment, so go along with them. Be cautious in new ventures

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Do whatever will bring you closer to gaining your personal wishes. The evening can be happy with your mate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Do whatever can enhance your prestige. An influential person can give you the backing you need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) A newcomer gives

you good ideas for greater development and growth. Be looking for opportunities.

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to keep a promise you have made. You can delight your mate with a new activity. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Have a long discussion

with a partner and cement better relations. Show your gratifude in some way. 1F YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he, or she, will have many fine ideas and clever aspirations and should do well in school, so plan now for a very good academic education. The right profession will be chosen

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Financial leader warns of U.S. economic crisis

NEW YORK (R) — One of America's leading investment jaczak, director of an economic

bankers is campaigning to convince U.S. business leaders that the United States risks an economic crisis that would shake the headed for a crisis. Of course, "The United States today is that takes faith.'

headed for a financial and economic crisis just as New York City was 15 years ago," said Mr. Felix Rohatvn.

Mr. Rohatyn, as head of a government authority, guided New York City through grave fiscal troubles in the 1970s.

"What appeared to be only a possibility five or six years ago became a probability more recently and has now become a tory for the last seven years," he virtual certainty," he said in a speech and a newspaper article which he has just published.

"The only real questions are when and how. In addition, when the crisis occurs, it will entail, quite possibly, a worldwide recession." he noted.

A partner in the Lazard Freres investment banking firm, Mr. Rohatyn is the latest of several economists and financial writers to worry about the U.S. national debt, now near \$2,000 billion, and a surge in the debt of U.S. companies brought on largely by

Mr. Rohatyn says that America in the 1980s bought too many foreign goods, borrowed too much foreign money, overspent on defence and social spending while cutting taxes, and lent too much money to the Third World.

There are several results of this behaviour ... the first, and country when it comes to our economy," he says. "For the first time, we depend on foreign capital to finance day-to-day government operations."

Reagan administration and other officials are more sanguine about the debts and express confidence that U.S. economic growth, and efforts to get West Germany and Japan to stimulate their economies, will keep the world economy on track.

"There are so many minefields out there you always have to

jaczak, director of an economic forecasting service at Georgia State University in Atlanta. "But we've been dodging them pretty nicely and I'm not sure we're

labour," Mr. Azzam said.

force of six Gulf states: Saudi

Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman,

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In 1975, when the Middle East

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ing the Gulf each month last year,

while the number of new Indian

Mr. Azzam said official figures

Mr. Rohatyn, and organiser of a \$6.3 billion General Electric takeover of RCA in 1985, says the U.S. government and corporations are probably incapable of handling a slewing of economic growth because of the huge debt

"The facts are that the U.S. has been guilty of the most irresponsibile fiscal behaviour in its histold business leaders.

"Amercian fiscal folly, coupled with our inability to coordinate economic policies with Europe and Japan, have created an everincreasing worldwide pyramid of debt thart cannot withstand a

major recession," he said. Almost half of last year's U.S. government deficit of about \$180 billion was financed by foreign purchases of U.S. treasury securities, he said.

There is no purely American solution to any of our major economic problems. The U.S. cannot afford a recession that would drive our deficits to more than \$300 billion and possibly cause a crash in the value of the dollar as well as in the stock and bond markets," he noted.

"The result could be massive domestic and international banking defaults, a world recession and poliltical instability in large perhaps least noticed, is that we parts of the globe," he added.

he said is unlikely to be implemented in a presidential campaign season, calls for the United States to increase taxes and cut government spending, while also reducing interest rates to keep the economy growing.

President Reagan has set himself firmly against a general increase in U.S. taxes.

Japan and Western Europe would also have to stimulate their economies by reducing taxes, encouraging consumer buying and increasing government spending. IMF austerity programme.

Egypt hikes sugar price

CAIRO (R) — Egypt raised the price of sugar by eight per cent on Tuesday as part of an economic reform programme agreed with International Monetary Fund

The cost of one kilogramme of sugar rose to 65 piasters (30 cents) from 60 plasters (28 cents). Government stores will continue to sell subsidised sugar for 10 piasters (five cents) a kilogramme to people with ration

Sugar, flour, rice and other basic commodities are heavily subsidised. The budget for the fiscal year ending June 30 allocated \$2 billion to subsidies.

The government has said it intends to ensure that only the needy benefit from the subsidy

It agreed with the IMF in return for \$325 nulion in credits to unify its multiple exchange rate, cut the budget deficit — \$4.1 billion in 1986/87 — and raise prices.

Egypt increased the price of diesel oil and other fuels by over 50 per cent last month as part of the agreement.

Zambia reduces prices by 10%

LUSAKA (R) — The Zambian government on Monday shaved prices on essential commodities under a new economic strategy. Many people in the capital

complained about the scale of Monday's price cuts, up to 10 per cent off items such as blankets, soap, detergents and baby tood. Staple foods, such as bread, sugar and maize meal were not

affected. President Kenneth Kaunda ordered the reductions to take account of lower import costs after a revaluation of the kwacha to a fixed rate of eight per dollar, from 21, on May 1.

The revaluation formed part of a new go-it-alone economic strategy, adopted to replace the

The United States wants other Group of Seven nations to agree give in quickly on farm subsidies. Reagan urges new 'Marshall plan

WASHINGTON (USIA) - A "Marshall plan of ideas" is needed to invigorate the economies of the developing world, President Reagan declared on Monday.

Praising the institutions developed in the 1947 plan for the restoration of war-ravaged Europe, Mr. Reagan declared those who are serious about "changing the plight of less fortunate nations" owe it to them to "be candid" about the economic the rebirth of realities behind such nations as West Germany.

"It is simply that freedom of enterprise, competition, and the profit motive work," he said.

Mr. Reagan's remarks came as he signed a proclamation setting aside the month of June to honour George Catlett Marshall, chief of staff of the United States Army during World War II, the only professional soldier ever to win the Nobel Prize and the secretary of state in the Truman administration who proposed the economic recovery plan in a com-

mencement address at Harvard University on June 5, 1947.

"The Marshall plan is a proud monument in the history of our nation." the president said in the proclamation, "because it derives from our large and generous spirit and our commitment to the principles of interdependence, selfdetermination, and openness to positive cooperation. The plan succeeded beyond greatest expectations and remains an inspiration today because it demontions lay aside differences to meet a common challenge.

The president used the occasion to relate the lessons of history to today's world and to note that the plan in addition to providing some 60,000 millions of today's dollar in the resurgence of Europe's economy, also encouraged political decisions to overcome internal barriers to commerce and to beat back domestic pressures for protectionism

"The Marshall plan."

of institutions that today are pillars of the free world's economy the European Community, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development — and created the environment where the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund could function..... It was the beginning of a process of cooperation and enterprise that has carried the peoples of the Western democracies to

new neights. In today's world, the president said, it is difficult to imagine "the destitution, devastation and hopelessness that pervaded Europe" at the end of the war, with millions dead, many the young leaders who would have been society's greatest assets. Germany especially "lay in almost total ruin."

The plan, he noted, was more than an investment in resources, and had it been solely a transfer he of money would most likely pointed out, "led to the creation have been a colossal failure."

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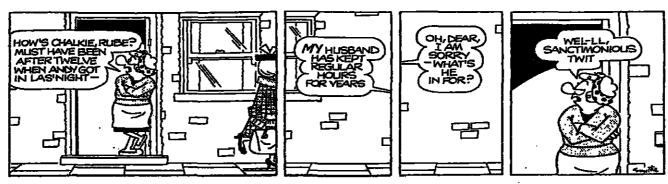


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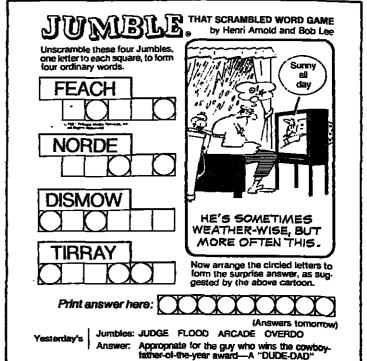


Andy Capp





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Philippine election count drags on

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Three weeks after what President Corazon Aquino called the cleanest election in Philippine history, vote counting is bogged down in a flood of protests, allegations of corruption and charges of incompetence.

The Commission on Elections, or Comelec, has tallied results from about 87 per cent of the more than 104,000 precincts in the May 11 balloting. But it has yet to declare any winners in the 24-member, nationally elected senate because the race for the final positions remains too close to call.

About 140 winners have been declared in the 200 district-level contests for the house of representatives. But formal challenges, alleging wrongs ranging from vote-buying to voter intimida-tion, are delaying a decision on the rest.

Comelec spokesman Augusto Toledo said the commission has received about 400 complaints of vote fraud from throughout the country. Allegations have come from both opposition and pro-Aquino candidates.

The Grand Alliance for Democracy (GAD), the centre-right coalition of former Defence Minister Juan Ponce Enrile, has. asked the supreme court to reconsider its petition to nullify the entire election because of alleged fraud by Mrs. Aquino's "people power" coalition.

Last week, the high court threw out the GAD's first petition. Mrs. Aquino denies nationally orchestrated fraud but has conceded possible "irregularities" in some districts.

Brig. Gen. Eugenio Ocampo, national police commander for Central Luzon, publicly raised the possibility of fraud in his area, which includes Mrs. Aquino's home province, Tarlac.

Brig. Ocampo cited the absence of pollwatchers in some areas and unexplained delays in relaying tally sheets from the provinces to Manila as well as fraud complaints. He told government television the allegations should be investigated.

The government-run Philippine News Agency (PNA) quoted Brig. Ocampo on Tuesday as saying he had been approached by an unidentified "influential person" shortly before the election and asked to cheat on behalf of "some candidates," whom he refused to name.

PNA said some provincial and town officials in Central Luzon were quietly circulating a petition demanding Brig. Ocampo's re-moval. The agency did not say who was behind the petition, but local government posts are held

by Aquino appointees.
"If these allegations had been made by a partisan group, I would have taken it with a proverbial grain of salt," columnist Larry Spin wrote in the leftleaning Malaya of Brig. Ocampo's claim. "But being an official military report and from (Mrs. Aquino's) region, this one deserves special attention."

During the campaign, the local governments secretary, Jaime

Ferrer publicly warned local officials that they must support administration candidates and drum up the vote if they expected to remain in office.

"The May 11 elections, which looked so clean and earnest in the the eight years since it took first couple of days, are beginning to look a bit shopworn and tattered," wrote conservative commentator Max Soliven in the Philippine Daily Star.

Not all such charges have been levelled by opposition candi-dates. Vice President Salvador Laurei told Malaya last week that fraud charges must be investi-gated because "where there is smoke, there must be fire."

Former Labour Minister Augusto Sanchez, one of two administration candidates trailing in the senate race, claims he lost votes because of Comelec failed to remove the name of another "Sanchez," who has disqualified, from the tally sheets.

The former labour minister has asked Comelec to recount ballots in certain districts where poll workers, confused by the two names, apparently failed to credit him with all the "Sanchez" votes.

hot irons. The Heng Samrin government, with Vietnamese military backing, is fighting a coalition of rebel groups which includes supporters of former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk and the

Khmer Rouge. "Although many Kam-pucheans are detained in the context of armed opposition, many political prisoners did not take part in the violent struggle and a number may be prisoners of conscience," Amnesty said.

of human rights abuse The report recalled a previous Amnesty investigation into the systematic torture and murder of hundreds of thousands of Kampucheans during the Khmer Rouge rule of Pol Pot from 1975

Amnesty puts the number of dead from that period at between one and two million. The country's population at the time of the Khmer Rouge takeover was estimated at between seven and eight

The organisation said it had repeatedly asked permission to visit Kampuchea to check its information but had not received a

The report made recommendations to the Kampuchean and Vietnamese governments.

The 14-point recommendation to the Phnom Penh administration included the establishment of an independent body to investigate reports of torture and imprisonment and a prompt and fair trial for all political detainees.

It urged the Vietnamese government to make public the names of political prisoners beld in Kampuchean centres administered by Vietnamese personnel and also those who had been transferred to Vietnam.

It said that all Vietnamese personnel found responsible for torturing political prisoners should be brought to justice.

Copies of the report will be sent to the two governments.

Fijian troops fire on British diplomats

after visiting a ship.

SUVA, Fiji (AP) — Fijian soldiers on Tuesday shot out the tires of a jeep in which two British diplomats were travelling after the envoys refused to let them search the vehicle, the Australian Associated Press (AAP) reported.

No one was hurt, the news agency said.

It was the first confirmed shooting by soldiers since a military coup on May 14 that overthrew the elected government of

Prime Minister Timoci Bavadra. The news agency said the shooting occurred when British Consul Jim Liddell and assistant defence adviser Lt.-Col. Mike

Commissioner Roger Barltrop

ment, and that a strongly-worded written protest would follow. AAP said that as Mr. Liddell

and Col. Busby drove up to a military checkpoint at the exit Busby tried to drive away from from the docks, they were stopthe dock area of Suva Harbour ped by soldiers with rifles who demanded to search the car. The diplomats refused, saying

Britain's deputy high com-missioner, Rod Pullen, said High search under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, had made a strong verbal protest AAP quoted Mr. Pullen as to Fiji's Foreign Affairs Depart-saying.

WFC to discuss world food crisis

PEKING (AP) — The United Nations World Food Council (WFC) holds its 13th session here next to discuss how to deal with the steady spread of hunger in a world weighed down by growing food surpluses.

Hunger and malnutrition amid global plenty wil be among the chief topics at the June 8-11 meeting to be attended by food and agriculture ministers from more than 30 countries, said WFC spokesman Alain Vidal Naquet at a news conference Naquet said.

per cent more food than it needs, problems as they relate to food

NAIROBI (R) — Kenya, whose relations with neighbouring

Uganda appear to be improving

after a period of strain, has ac-

cused the Ugandan authorities of

cutting off contracted electricity

State-controlled Kenya Power

and Lighting Company said

Uganda had unilaterally cut off

on Sunday the 30 megawatts of

power it supplies to Kenya from the Owen Falls hydro-electric

complex at the source of the Nile.

officials in Kampala confirmed

that supplies to Kenya had been

cut off and said Kenya had been

drawing more power than agreed

causing power cuts in Uganda.
The Ugandan power meets ab-

out nine per cent of Kenya's

Kenyan electricity chief S.K. Gichuru said in a statement Mon-

day the cut breached a 1954

agreement that appropriate

notice be given in the event of an

unavoidable interruption. Kenya

Ugandan Electricity Board

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Kenya complains about

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the number of hungry people increased by 40 million from 1980 to 1985 and 40,000 children die every day from hunger-related causes, he said.

The World Bank estimates that the number of food-deprived people in the world could be as high as 730 million.

"It is the failure of the international community that despite the enormous means which exist people have not been able to diminish the level of malnutrition," Mr.

He said participants at the ses-While the world produces 10 sion will discuss trade and debt

er needs from its own resources,

At the height of the tension

between the two countries, land-

locked Uganda accused Kenya of

a border blockade which it said

had virtually halted the flow of

imports from the Kenyan port of

Kenya denied the charge and accused Uganda of holding Ke-

nyan nationals without just cause.

there was no tension between the

two countries and an official

statement in Kampala said rela-

tions were improving.

President Arap Moi replaced the ministers of foreign affairs

and planning Monday in a far-

reaching cabinet reshuffle, the

official Kenya News Agency

minister of economic planning who had been out of the cabinet

since 1983, becomes foreign

minister instead of Elijah Mwan-

gale, who moves to agriculture in

Zachary Onyonka, a former

Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi said in a speech Monday that

he added.

Mombasa.

(KNA) said.

supplies, increasing South-South. or developing country, coopera-tion and helping Third World nations put together coherent

national food policies. He said it was "paradoxical" that the Venice summit of industrialised nations, which will take place at the same time as the Peking WFC meeting, is likely to take up trade conflicts caused by North American and European food surpluses.

"If the rich countries are blinded by their own problems, the situation will deteriorate and will affect them negatively as much as the developing nations."

premier dies

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados (AP) - Prime Minister Errol

Barrow died at his residence

Monday afternoon at age 67, the

government announced. The

cause of his death was not dis-

Relatives had reported that

Deputy Prime Minister Erskine

Sandiford, who served as minister

of education and leader of the

House of Assembly, was sworn in

as Mr. Barrow's successor by

Governor-General Sir Hugh

Mr. Barrow, a British-edu-

cated lawyer and a navigation

officer in the British Royal Air Force during World War II, led

this Caribbean island off eastern

Venezuela to independence from

secutive terms.

Mr. Barrow had been in poor health for some time, officials

Barbados

4 killed in Punjab bomb blast

CHANDIGARH, India (R) - A bomb planted by suspected Sikh extremists exploded outside a cinema in the north Indian state of Punjab Tuesday kiling four people and injuring 20, police

The bomb, apparently left in a parked car, went off in the early afternoon in the industrial city of Iullundur, they said. Police in the state capital Chan-

digarh told Reuters several of the wounded were in a serious condi-The blast wrecked the car and several motor scooters. Police

said they were investigating whether the bomb was left in or near the car. Extremists fighting for a separate Sikh state in Punjab have not

up to now used car bombs in their five-year campaign. Several people have been killed by bombs and grenades lobbed by extremists into crowded

cinemas in Punjab. Extremists killed more than 70 people in May 1985 with booby trap bombs in New Delhi and three northern states.

Duarte offers amnesty to prisoners, guerrillas

Phnom Penh accused

LONDON (R) - Annesty Inter-

national accused the Vietnamese-

backed government in Kam-puchea of detaining and torturing

thousands of political prisoners in

The human rights organisation

released an 83-page report detail-

ing torture, "cruel and inhuman conditions" of detention and the

deaths of some of those interro-

period 1979 to 1985, is based on

research by Amnesty personnel

as well as interviews with former

detainees and relatives of pris-

It accused Kampuchean authorities and Vietnamese officials

of torturing people by beating

them with sharp wooden staves

and iron bars, whipping them with chains and rubber hoses,

subjecting them to electric

shocks, and burning them with

The report, which covers the

SENSUNTEPEQUE, El Salva- method of political action." dor (AP) - President Jose Napoleon Duarte on Monday offered amnesty to political prisoners and to leftist guerrillas who lay down their arms and join the political

Mr. Duarte, in a speech marking the start of his fourth year in office, also said he will allow 98 injured guerrillas held by the army to leave the country for medical treatment in exchange for the release of two mayors and seven other captives held by the

"I have viewed with hope the invitation" of the rebels to continue peace talks broken off in 1984, he said, "but I will not tire of insisting that they join the

El Salvador has about 700 political prisoners, according to human rights organisations. Mr. Duarte gave no details of the amnesty plan. In 1983, about 540 political prisoners and 224 guerrillas

accepted an amnesty offer. Since then all releases have been through exchanges. There was no immediate re-

sponse to the offer from the rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front. The front, known as the

FMLN, threatened to shoot at vehicles travelling on the nation's roads and attacked electric power equipment throughout the country.

About 80 per cent of San Salvademocratic process and abandon dor's transportation system was weapons and violence as a halted by the ban.

Nazi camp guard arrested in Austria

VIENNA (R) — Martin Bar-te...h, an admitted former Nazi issued earlier Monday by Interior wartime activities when he en-tered the United States in 1955 camp guard who has stripped of his U.S. citizenship last week, has been arrested in Austria, the Inspection of the control of terior Ministry has said.

A ministry spokesman said Bartesch, 60, had been seized in the region of Attersee, in the province of upper Austria, on the basis of a warrant for his arrest Chicago last Friday. He had and expulsion from Austria admitted lying or concealing his

Bartesch, who has admitted being a guard at Mauthausen concentration camp in Austria, was stripped of his citizenship in

from Austria and when he became an American citizen in 1966.

The ministry spokesman said Bartesch would be held pending proceedings to expel him from the country, which he entered on his still valid U.S. passport. He left the United States on Wednesday.

Artukovic clemency appeal rejected

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)

— Judges rejected a clemency appeal by lawyers for Andrija Artukovic, the former interior minister of Croatia who was senteced to death for war crimes, the government newspaper Politika reported.

Zagreb district court said Britain in November 1966. lawyers Zeljko Olujic and Silvije As leader of the Democratic Labour Party, which first came into power in 1961 when he was Degen had no authorisation from Artukovic or his family for the prime minister, Mr. Barrow govappeal, according to a report in the paper's early Tuesday edierned Barbados for three con-

Artukovic, 87, was extradited from the United States in 1986. He was found guilty on May 14, 1986, in four specific cases related to the massacre of more than 700,000 concentration camp inmates while he held office in the Nazi puppet state of Croatia during World War II. Croatia is

Artukovic entered the United States in 1948 on a false passport and moved soon afterward to Seal Beach, California, 40 kilometres south of Los Angeles,

now a Yugoslav republic.

where he lived until his extradi-

His son Rad said in an earlier interview with the Associated Press in Los Angeles that the family had instructed the lawyers to seek all means of avoiding the death penalty except requesting clemency.

Last month, the court postponed Artukovic's execution indefinitely on health grounds. Yugoslav law does not allow a death sentence to be carried out while the condemned person is

had been able to meet local pow- an apparent demotion. **Experts find substance which may block AIDS** WASHINGTON (R) - U.S. re-GOREN BRIDGE by AIDS, he said.

BY CHARLES GOREN

L IS FOR LOSER-ON-LOSER

Both vulnerable. South deals. NORTH **±**863 ⊽9753 **♣** K 10 2 ♣J9 ♥Q2 •Q982 ♣98653 ♦ 1052 TAKJ 104 01063 SOUTH *AKQ74 ↑A75 **₽**AQ7

The bidding: South West North East 1 \bullet Pass 2 \bullet Pass 4 \bullet Pass Pass Pass Opening lead: King of ∇

There are several occasions when a loser-on-loser play is appropriate. You might adopt it when you want to prevent a particular hand from gaining the lead; as a means to bring about an elimination play: to avoid an overruff; or to protect your trump holding. Here's an example of the last.

would be taking his life in his hands if he were to overcall with two hearts. Since his side was using five-card majors, North had an easy raise to two spades, and South's leap to game ended the

West led the king-ace of hearts and continued with the jack (a low heart would have made life simpler for East). East still found the best defense of ruffing. As the cards lay, had declarer overruffed he would have had to lose a trump trick and would then have had to fall back on the diamond finesse for his contract. That would have failed-down one.

At the price of a possible overtrick, declarer insured his contract against normal breaks. Instead of overruffing, he discarded his pos-sible diamond loser, and he was in full control. No matter which suit East chose to return, declarer would win, draw trumps and claim

the rest of the tricks. That brings us to about the halfway point in bridge from A to Z. In the next four weeks we will run the last 14 hands, staring with M for Merrimac Coup.

searchers have said an easily synthesised chemical known as Peptide T effectively prevents the deadly AIDS virus attacking human cells and holds potential as both a treatment and vaccine.

Dr. Candace Pert, a neuro-scientist at the U.S. National Institute of Mental Health, told the third annual international conference on AIDS that Peptide T "potently blocks entry of the AIDS virus into cells."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) had approved clinical testing of the naturally-occurring brain chemical and tests involving at least a dozen AIDS patients in a controlled environment would probably start next month, she said.

Dr. Frederick Goodwin, the institute's scientific director, told Reuters "my gut reaction is that we are onto something."

He said that based on initial findings Petide T might hold promise as a treatment for those already suffering from AIDS as well as in the search for a vaccine to prevent the spread of the

Laboratory researchers had tween June 1981 and Jan. 26, found that Petide T could fully 1987, nearly 17,000, or 57 per reverse brain cell damage caused cent, have died.

Pert said a Swedish doctor had provided the chemical to four AIDS patients last year. One died but the others showed some improvement, she said.

Earlier, researchers with the federal Centres for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta told conference participants that heterosexual contact was spreading AIDS twice as fast in the United States as homosexual or bisexual

Their study says the number of cases from heterosexual contact increased 135 per cent in 1986 while cases reported from homosexual or bisexual male contact rose about 80 per cent for the

"The largest percentage increases were among heterosexual men and women in geographic areas other than New York, Califormia and Florida" - the previous AIDS hotspots — CDC researchers said in a summary of. their study distributed in advance to conference participants.

Another government report will show that of 29,582 AIDS cases reported to the CDC be-

The conference got off to a heated start Monday when Vice President George Bush was jeered and AIDS rights activists were arrested while demonstrating at the White House by police wearing bright yellow rubber gioves.

Mr. Bush was jeered and booed when he endorsed President Reagan's proposals for routine AIDS testing of prisoners, immigrants, and those who plan to marry.

But he was applauded when he said AIDS tests results must be kept strictly confidential, a precaution that Mr. Reagan failed to mention in his speech on AIDS. The co-discoverer of the AIDS virus told the conference that

another deadly AIDS-like virus has been found in Nigeria.
"We shouldn't panic," Dr. Robert Gallo of the U.S. National Cancer Institute said of the discovery in the African nation.

Dr. Gallo made his announceand public health officials from more than 50 countries at the opening of the third international conference on AIDS.

distinct virus had been detected arresting demonstrators. .

in 10 cases in Nigeria sufficiently early to encourage hopes that a cure could be found. He gave no details of the new virus but papers were expected on the subject later this week. Other researchers reported that while many homosexual men at risk of contracting AIDS have reduced their number of sexual partners and accepted "safe sex" practices, they still must drastically change their sexual habits to avoid AIDS.

As the conference got under way, 64 gay rights activists were arrested in front of the White House, about a mile away, as they blocked traffic on Pennsylvania Avenue.

The arresting officers wore bright yellow rubber gloves of the style that enraged Washington gay rights activists earlier this year during a police raid on a homosexual bar.

A police spokesman said the gloves had been in use since 1975 and "are not designed for proment before some 6,000 scientists tecting officers from any specific disease. They can be used whenever an officer has to search somebody," he said.

Washington police usually do Dr. Gallo said the new and the not wear rubber gloves when.

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Lebanese arrested on drug charges

LARNACA, Cyprus (AP) - A Lebanese man was arrested Tuesday at Lamaca port on a charge of carrying 20 grammes (two-thirds of an ounce) of hashish, police said. They identified the man as Houssam Saad Akka, 27, from the northern Lebanese city of Tripoli. He was arrested after he arrived by boat from the Lebanese port of Jounieh. He was remanded in custody for four days until investigations are completed.

Quintuplets start new life

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — The world's only test-tube-quintuplets arrived from Britain on Tuesday with their Americanborn parents to settle in Australia. The "alphabet quints" -Alan, Brett, Connor. Douglas and Edward Jacobssen - were born 14 months ago. Parents Bruce and Lynda Jacobssen said they came to Australia to be close to the children's grandparents, who live in a beachside suburb of this southern city.

U.S. to take back contaminated tobacco

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States has said it would take back a shipment of cigarettes sold to Japan which have been found contaminated by herbicide. State Department spokesman Charles Redman said arrangements were being made to "reexport and dispose" of the cigarettes. Mr. Redman also said U.S. customs authorities had notified Japan that the cigarettes contained an excess of the approved levels of the herbicide Dicamba. He said customs officials were investigating the matter with the cooperation of R.J. Reynolds.

'Oldest person' turns 114

SWANSEA, Wales (AP) — Record-breaking Anna Eliza Williams, believed the world's oldest human being, was 114 on Tuesday. Staff at the nursing home where she lives in Swansea, south Wales, said they have baked her a cake and will open a bottle of sherry for her quiet birthday party. "She always has a small glass on her birthday, but that is the only time of the year she touches alcohol," said Dianne Evans, head nurse at the Tuxedo Old People's Home. Mrs. Williams eats lots of vegetables, refuses all pills and medicines and has never smoked. She was born on June 2. 1873, when Queen Victoria was on the throne. There have been five more British monarchs since she died in 1901. There also have been 21 prime ministers serving 34 terms and Mrs. Williams intends to vote in the June 11 general election. "Anna's having a postal vote but who she votes for is her secret," Mrs. Evans said. "Anna Williams is now the world's oldest living person," said Alan Russell, editor of the Guinness Book of Records. "There are a lot of other contentious claims but Anna's is the only age that can be authenticated," he said.

'Living donor' transplant performed

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Surgeons at Presbyterian-University Hospital removed the heart from a young woman undergoing a heart-lungs transplant Monday and placed the organ into a man whose own heart was failing, hospital officials said. It was the second "living donor" operation in the United States. The first was performed on May 10 at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins hospital. The world's first living heart transplant was performed in London last month. The Pittsburgh operations began late Sunday and ended about five hours later, said hospital spokesman Thomas Chakurda. The heart was donated by a 25-year-old woman suffering from primary pulmonary hypertension for transplant into a 53-year-old man who was awaiting a donor organ, Chakurda said. The hospital, citing the families' requests for privacy, refused to identify the patients. Chakurda said both patients were listed in critical condition, which is normal after such surgery. Dr. Bartley Griffith, who headed the team that transplanted the heart and both lungs, said the woman's heart had not been damaged by her illness and was an exact match in size and blood type for the man. Griffith said surgeons proceeded with the surgery knowing they could resort to an artificial heart to keep the man alive if necessary. They did not identify the donor of the heart and lungs for the woman.

26 armed robbers invade beachfront hotel

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — Twenty-six robbers armed with machine guns and revolvers burst into a five-star beachfront hotel Monday, tied up security guards and escaped with \$52,000 worth of jewellery and cash, police said. The robbers sealed off an entire block of famed Copacabana Beach, burst into the exclusive Othon Palace Hotel and stole the contents of safe deposit boxes after tying up six security guards, Police Chief Romeu Diamantina said. "It was one of the best-organised operations I've ever seen," Diamantina said. "They were well-informed about the hotel's security and banking systems." Thieves took cash and jewellery from 62 safe deposit boxes, leaving other empty coffers untouched, said Diamantina, adding that they also knew where the six security guards would be stationed. No one was hurt in the

Rare black leopard cub born in zoo

MOSCOW (R) — A rare black leopard cub has been born at a zoo in Alma-Ata, capital of the Soviet Central Asian Republic of Kazakshstan, TASS news agency said Tuesday. TASS said the cub was one of a litter of three. "One of the cubs is black all over. which happens quite rarely, still less in zoos," it said.

1 Beatle turns up at Sgt. Pepper's birthday

LONDON (AP) — Paul McCartney was the only former Beatle to attend Monday's party for the 20th anniversary of the group's famous album. Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band. McCartney, 44, ran up the steps for the Abbey Road Studios in 1967. London where the songs for the album were performed in 1967. "It still sounds fresh," he remarked, listening once again to the Beatles' record that sold 30 million copies. "Was it really 20 years ago that we made the record?" he said. "Not an awful lot has changed," he said. "The issues are the same. Then we wanted the end of apartheid in South Africa. We wanted peace on earth, love and understanding between everyone around the world. We have learned that change romes slowly. But we have to keep our faith, keep pushing and hope we have better news to report 20 years from today." McCartney was the only ex-Beatle present, with his American photographer wife Linda. George Harrison and Ringo Starr were invited but didn't show, although George made music. with Paul in a television documentary about the album screened nationwide Monday night. John Lennon was murdered in New York on Dec. 8, 1980.

Jail terms sought for infected prostitutes

CARSON CITY, Nevada (AP) - Prostitutes infected with AIDS who continued to solicit customers would face prison terms of up to 20 years under legislation that is supported by brothel owners and state health officials. The target isn't so much the state's legal brothels, but prostitutes who work illegally in Las Vegas, Lake Tahoe and other resorts where the brothels aren't allowed. The bill, awaining a vote in the state assembly, originally would have made the offense punishable as attempted murder. In its latest made the offense ponishable as attempted murder. In its latest form, it is regarded as having a good chance of passage: Assembly Judiciary Chairman Bob version, said the target is prostiones who are 'trying to make a buck in a reckless manner.' Jim Conkey, head of the AIDS education project at Truckee Meadows Community College, said the bill would be a legal tool for dealing with prostitutes who heedlessly infect others with the dealing virus. However, Conkey criticised legislators for failing to deal with two of the most critical issues. The question of an AIDS carrier's privacy rights and the prevention of discreptionation.

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this vulnerability, West